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Mitterrand: terrorism won't affect M.E. policy

PARIS. — French President Francois Mitterrand vowed last night that extremist attacks against Jewish interests in Paris would not force him to alter his Middle East policy and announced a series of measures to root out terrorism.

He also rejected charges from Prime Minister Menachem Begin that France was suffering a wave of anti-Semitism and suggested that Begin would spend his time better if he worked for peace in his region.

(In Jerusalem last night, Begin issued a statement in reply to Mitterrand's speech. Calling Mitterrand "our friend," Begin noted that the French president had said that the PLO also had the right to fight. But, said Begin, Mitterrand knows very well how the PLO fights — "they murder men, women and children." He said that he was amazed that, knowing this, Mitterrand could still give the PLO that right.)

Speaking in a television address devoted to recent terrorist attacks and his Middle East policy, Mitterrand said extremists had chosen France as a target because it represented the principal factor for peace in the Lebanon conflict.

The president was referring in particular to a gun attack on a Jewish restaurant in Paris last week in which six people were killed. Police believe an extremist Palestinian group was responsible.

Mitterrand said France would maintain its policy of what he called "presence and balance" in the Middle East.

"I shall not give it up under threats and obviously I intend to organize the country, the public services, the police in such a way that this terrorism is at last punished," he said.

Earlier yesterday, Mitterrand had a lengthy meeting with Israeli Labour Party leader Shimon Peres (Story — Page 2).

Referring to Begin's proposal that French Jews form their own militia to protect themselves from the anti-Jewish bombings, Mitterrand said "the Israeli chief of state does not understand the French of today, nor their leaders."

"The Jews of France know they need no other protection," the president said. "They can count on me."

In an apparent effort to improve cooled Franco-Israeli relations and (Continued on page 2, col. 6)

El Al protest near home of Aguda leader

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Some 30 El Al workers demonstrated with torches and posters outside the home of Aguda Yisrael leader MK Avraham Shapira yesterday evening to protest the government's decision to close El Al on the Sabbath and religious holidays.

At the same time, leaders of the National Religious Party and Religious Affairs Ministry director-general Moshe Salomon met with representatives of the El Al's works committee in an attempt to find a solution to the conflict.

The meeting followed a secret meeting between Salomon and the workers yesterday morning.

During the meeting, which began with shouts, the NRP leaders told the workers they would act on their behalf if the workers refrained from their radical tactics against ultra-Orthodox Jews and cooled the tense atmosphere.

"About 500 El Al workers intend to demonstrate outside the Knesset tomorrow during the special session convened to discuss the El Al issue."

At about 6 p.m. yesterday, the El Al workers, carrying posters saying "Shapira, get off our backs," and "Go join the army" and a caricature of Iranian leader Ayatollah (Continued on page 2, col. 6)



Israeli soldiers at Beirut's museum-crossing stand behind a dirt barricade watching people pass from the western part of the city to the east yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Presidential vote in Beirut tomorrow

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIRUT. — A senior Israeli political personality met Monday with Bashir Jemayel, the Lebanese Christian Forces leader and so far the only declared candidate for tomorrow's presidential election.

Earlier the same day, the director-general of Israel's Foreign Ministry, David Kimche, met with Jemayel's chief political adviser Naum Farah. Yesterday the Israeli Druse Likud MK Amal Nasser e-Din visited the ailing Druse leader Emir Majid Aarsalan at his home outside Beirut.

The Israeli contacts underline the importance Israel attaches to the election of Jemayel.

To judge by the activity outside Aarsalan's palace on the Beirut-Damascus highway, Christian politicians in Lebanon also share the sense that much, for them at least, is at stake tomorrow.

Aarsalan's home was inundated with visitors and petitioners; the driveway was lined with large, expensive cars, and his aides greeted a stream of visitors who, apart from the Israeli Druse leaders, included former Christian ministers in previous Lebanese governments.

The ailing Druse leader controls between two and three seats in the 99-member parliament, which now, due to the death of seven of its deputies, has only 92 members. Much hinges on the Druse and on a number of other non-Christian deputies at least showing up for the election, thereby ensuring the required two-thirds quorum in the parliament.

A special committee, comprising the speaker of the house, his deputy and the chairmen of two parliamentary committees, yesterday accepted the interpretation of a constitutional lawyer that the necessary quorum referred to in Lebanon's 1943 constitution meant two-thirds (Continued on page 2, col. 4)

U.S. denies any anti-Israel drift in policy

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The State Department yesterday took issue with widely publicized reports that the U.S. was in the process of coming up with a new Middle East policy which would be less favourable towards Israel.

Spokesman Alan Romberg said those reports had "mischaracterized" what Secretary of State George Shultz had told U.S. senators during closed-door briefings on Monday.

In a report by diplomatic correspondent Bernard Gwertzman, *The New York Times* on Monday quoted two participants in those meetings as having gained the impression from Shultz that "the administration was looking for ways to put some distance between itself and Israel in the wake of the recent criticism of Israel's use of military force in West Beirut voiced by President Reagan."

The *Washington Post* said Shultz's consultations were designed to "advance a general settlement of longstanding disputes in the Middle East while making it clear that the United States is not the pawn of Israel."

The newspaper's State Department correspondent, Don Oberdorfer, said Shultz indicated that, "in seeking an overall settlement in the area, the United States must reestablish its position as a friend of Arab nations as well as Israel, showing that all U.S. eggs are not in the Israeli basket."

Romberg refused to provide details of exactly what Shultz had told the senators on Monday. The spokesman maintained, however, that "the concept of distancing ourselves from Israel is not an appropriate way" to describe the sessions.

Shultz continued that consultative process yesterday by meeting behind closed doors with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, chaired by Republican Charles Percy of Illinois. The secretary's sessions on Monday had been with the Senate Republican and Democratic leadership.

State Department officials said Shultz would meet in the coming days with members of the house of (Continued on page 2, col. 4)

IDF troops redeploy in Beirut

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel Defence Forces troops were redeployed in Beirut yesterday following its withdrawal from the area around the museum and the transfer of the international airport to the Lebanese Forces.

The IDF took up positions behind earthen embankments at a main wide road in the Lebanese capital.

Meanwhile, IDF planes broke the sound barrier in flights over Beirut yesterday. Shortly after the air raid, there were several exchanges of shells and Sagger missiles. But the cease-fire has held since then, except for occasional breaches, according to the IDF spokesman.

About midnight Monday, the PLO opened light arms fire at an IDF position at El-Uzai near the airport. Several times the terrorists fired light arms and bazookas at positions in the eastern sector of Lebanon near Mansura and Ein Zhalata. In Khamd e-Luz the IDF spotted a terrorist squad trying to make its way into Israel and chased it across the lines.

At 11 a.m. yesterday terrorists fired light arms from Sheikh e-Tahara at troops at the edge of El-Uzai, the IDF spokesman said.

Fire was returned in all instances and the IDF sustained no casualties, the spokesman said.

News ban lifted on Sharon's 'unilateral' reserves call-up

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The ban on publishing a report that Defence Minister Ariel Sharon called up a reserve paratroop brigade some days ago without the knowledge of Prime Minister Menachem Begin was finally lifted yesterday after it had been withheld for a week.

Last night, Sharon again denied this, however. Begin heard of the callup the next morning at a Cabinet session, when a number of Ministers said they had been phoned by concerned families after the paratroopers, who had recently returned from a lengthy reserve service, were recalled by urgent procedure under special order.

The army spokesman has given prominence to incidents which have been occurring daily in the central and eastern sectors.

Since August 1, there have been 48 violations there involving four IDF men killed and 11 wounded.

One of the points which U.S. mediator Philip Habib or his aide Morris Draper are due to clarify in Damascus today, is the nature of the commitment sought from the Syrian government, on the withdrawal of its soldiers, and of the Palestinian formations which it controls, from Beirut. As of yesterday, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned that the Syrian government has not yet given Habib a binding promise to withdraw its soldiers and their allies, who number 4,000 to 5,000.

After leaving Beirut, the Syrian troops and their allied formations may wind up in the Bekaa Valley, or in northern Lebanon near Tripoli, something which no agreement can prevent, even if the eventual agreement in fact covers this possibility.

There is little the IDF can do to prevent Syrians, Syrian allies, or PLO men from dropping out of the vehicles ferrying them out of West Beirut, once the convoys enter Syrian-controlled areas of central (Continued on page 2, col. 1)

Swimming trip to Bat Yam ends tragically for youths

By JEFFREY HELLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BAT YAM. — One teenager drowned, another youngster was missing and six youths were hospitalized after 45 East Jerusalem youngsters went swimming yesterday morning at the Sea Palace beach here where swimming is forbidden.

The group's adult chaperon was arrested on charges of negligence. The dead youth was identified as Hassan Amar Sa'aki, 14, of Shuafat.

It is possible the group did not know swimming was prohibited at Sea Palace, one of the town's most dangerous beaches. The closest lifeguard is 800 metres away. Four hundred metres to the south, there is a sign in Hebrew warning that bathing further north is prohibited.

At the beach itself, there is a rusting sign facing the sea warning in Hebrew and English that swimming is not allowed.

"They only went a few metres into the water, but they were between the rocks, where the whirlpools are," said Avraham Akshuki, who runs a refreshment stand at the nearby surfers beach.

Black flags implanted in the wet sand at surfers beach do little to keep people out of the sea. Beachchairs dot the area and windsurfer enthusiasts push their crafts into the sea from the Sea Palace beach.

Ironically, the large number of people in the area — which might have given the East Jerusalem visitors the impression that swimming was permitted — probably saved them from greater loss of lives.

By the time the lifeguards reached the youngsters, beachgoers had already pulled seven of the 11 children in trouble out of the water.

A police boat searched the area for hours but failed to find the missing youth.

"People will never learn," Akshuki said as he watched at least 35 men, women and children swim at Sea Palace beach, just a few hours after the tragedy.

All ready for exodus of PLO from Beirut

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanese Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan yesterday declared that a final agreement has been wrapped up on evacuating the Palestine Liberation Organization from West Beirut.

Wazzan told reporters that the Lebanese government would today formally ask the U.S., France and Italy to provide a multinational peacekeeping force for the Moslem-populated half of the Lebanese capital, where PLO forces are besieged by the Israel Defence Forces.

"We have arrived at the end of Lebanon's sorrows," Wazzan said after a one-hour meeting with U.S. presidential envoy Philip Habib. "We shall report to the cabinet on the agreement and the (evacuation) plan. I hope implementation would then begin."

Asked whether the 15-day evacuation plan would begin on Saturday as anticipated, Wazzan said: "Let's not set deadlines. Let deeds speak for themselves."

Foreign Minister Fuad Butros met separately with the American, French and Italian ambassadors and discussed the formalities for the entry of the multinational peace force into Beirut.

A U.S. amphibious naval force is heading for Lebanon from Naples, carrying 1,800 Marines, of whom 800 are expected to come ashore here.

France is also to contribute 800 troops, of which 250 are expected to arrive on Friday as the advance unit of the international peace force.

Italy's 532-man infantry battalion boarded two landing craft at Brindisi yesterday, standing by for orders to set sail.

The PLO evacuation is generally expected here to begin at dawn Saturday, a few hours after the arrival of the French advance party at Beirut port.

A western diplomat said the sea-borne evacuees would be taken by chartered boats, escorted by U.S. and Italian warships, to Larnaca, Cyprus, instead of making the lengthy journey to the Jordanian Red Sea port of Akaba. From Larnaca's airport, the evacuees would be flown to their final destinations in the Arab world, the diplomat added.

PLO spokesmen said the bulk of the 7,100 PLO men slated for departure will go overland to Syria and then be dispersed to Jordan, Iraq, Egypt and Tunisia, which will host Arafat and his senior aides at the Arab League headquarters.

Between 3,000 and 3,500 Palestine Liberation Army men under the Syrian military command also are expected to go overland, along with a 1,500-man Syrian garrison trapped with the PLO in West Beirut.

The Syrians will "regroup" in the Syrian-controlled Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon, while PLO forces would continue all the way on the Beirut-Damascus highway to Syria, foreign ministry sources said.

PLO chairman Yasser Arafat was quoted by Lebanese radio and newspapers as saying he has given his "word of honour" to the international force, Islamic nations and PLO allies that he will leave Beirut.

"We are the smallest military force in the Arab world. But we fought and stood fast against the mighty Israeli war machine longer than any Arab nation did in previous Middle East wars," Arafat said. "This is a Palestinian victory."

The estimated 1,000 Palestinians to be resettled in Tunisia after their withdrawal from Beirut will have "combatant status" while waiting to return to their homeland, Palestine, Tunisian Foreign Minister Beji Caid Essebsi said in Tunis yesterday.

Essebsi told reporters the Tunisian authorities would grant the PLO men the same status and living conditions as were given to the Algerian National Liberation Front during the 1954-1962 Algerian war of liberation from French colonial rule.

This implied that the Palestinians will be allowed to retain their arms, operate military training camps and enjoy virtually sovereign rights in the camps assigned to them. The Algerian guerrillas used their Tunisian camps as sanctuaries for attacks on the French army in neighbouring Algeria. (Tunisia is 3,219kms. from Israel.)

Tunis has been the headquarters of the Arab League since the league, originally based in Cairo, expelled Egypt for signing the 1978 Camp David agreements with Israel.

Essebsi said: "We expect the Palestinians' stay in Tunisia will (Continued on page 2, col. 7)

Sharon: No evacuation without return of Ahiaz

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon said last night that no multi-national forces would be allowed to land in Beirut, and that the evacuation of the PLO and the Syrians would not be allowed to start until Ahiaz, the IDF pilot held by the PLO, was released alive.

Sharon said that the second condition was the handing over of the bodies of nine IDF soldiers murdered by the PLO and buried in Beirut — four of them from the Litani operation of 1978 and the other five from the present campaign.

Sharon met U.S. mediator Philip Habib twice in Beirut yesterday.

Speaking to Israel TV later, Sharon said progress had been made on three points:

- An arrangement concerning the lists of detainees, which would enable Israel to verify who had left West Beirut.
- The exodus of the Syrians and their auxiliary groups.
- The return of Ahiaz and the bodies of the nine IDF soldiers.

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Safed	15-20	20-30
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Beersheba	15-20	20-30
Eilat	15-20	20-30

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Egypt's Ambassador to Israel, Sa'ad Mordada, called on Bank of Israel Governor Moshe Mandelbaum at his office yesterday.

Yigal Elam, director-general of the Israel Atomic Energy Commission, will speak on the Problems of Atomic Reactors in Israel at the weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1 p.m. today at the YMCA.

The president of the Shipowner's Association, Shlomo Erel, will speak on Shipping Policy, at the Haifa Rotary Club, Nof Hotel, at 1 p.m. today.

DEPARTURES

Trade and Industry Minister Gideon Pat, for a six-day visit to South Africa, where he will address 17 meetings of emergency fund donors and meet with government and economic leaders.

NEWS BAN

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and eastern Lebanon.

The road will be watched from the ground and probably from the air too, but the precision of such monitoring will vary. Should anybody drop off the convoys, an IDF counter-action would have grave consequences for the continuation of the exodus operation.

Energy Minister Yitzhak Berman may have had this in mind when he told a Rotary meeting in Haifa on Monday: "In various circles, I hear the demand that if there are still any terrorists in some corner or other, we should carry on the war."

Calling this concept "dangerous," Berman said any continuation of the war in northern Lebanon, would cause more casualties, continued economic decline, and would throw Israel's foreign relations out of gear. He noted that the Arab states — not the terrorists — had always been the principal threat to Israel, and would always remain so.

The Post asked Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir whether talk of continuing the war was known to be circulating in Jerusalem, and he replied that he had no knowledge of it. Ben-Meir said government policy laid down the fighting would stop with the evacuation of West Beirut. Subsequently, moves would be made to secure the departure of the Syrians and the PLO from the entire country by political means, he said. Israel would naturally expect the Syrians to keep the cease-fire and to restrain the PLO from violating the cease-fire, he said, adding that the IDF would have to respond if attacked.

Minister without Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat told The Jerusalem Post in reply to a question, that the cabinet had agreed to hold an in-depth discussion on the aftermath of the Beirut evacuation as soon as it was over.

More fresh produce entering West Beirut

BEIRUT, (Reuters). — Israeli forces and their Phalangist (Lebanese Forces) allies besieging West Beirut have eased their ban on fresh fruit and vegetables entering the city, wholesalers said yesterday.

Five large truckloads of tomatoes, potatoes, aubergines and assorted fruits entered West Beirut yesterday morning, they said. A week ago, fresh food was filtering through in small quantities only.

As a result, prices for most types of fruit and vegetables have fallen by up to 40 per cent in the last few days. But prices are still high — eight Lebanese pounds (\$1.60) a kilogram for tomatoes and 10 pounds (\$2) a kilogram for grapes.

Trucks caught smuggling are still

liable to be burnt. One truck caught crossing yesterday morning was burnt with all its contents, according to one truck driver. It was the sixth to be burnt since the siege began.

The drivers bring in the goods along poorly guarded backstreets in the southern suburb of Hayy al-Sellom, once the scene of heavy fighting but quiet under the current cease-fire.

Drivers have paid bribes of up to 2,000 pounds (\$400) a truckload, mainly to the Phalangists, to get into the city, the wholesalers said.

Israeli produce has flooded across the border on the heels of the invasion. Crates with Hebrew mark-

ings no longer reach West Beirut, but the merchants say they suspect some Israeli apples and onions are switched into Lebanese boxes before distribution.

Ironically, the price of petrol has dropped in West Beirut. With the seven-week siege having left gasoline in short supply, the price should logically have risen. But during the bombing lull, former residents have been streaming back into the western half of the city with full tanks and have been leaving at night with their tanks empty.

The gasoline is siphoned off and left behind in the encircled city, increasing supplies and pushing the price down from 15 pounds (\$3) a litre to 10 pounds a litre.

HOME AND WORLD NEWS

Likud maintains strong lead, public poll finds

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The second month of the war in Lebanon finds the Likud still in a powerful lead, with the Alignment losing a bit more ground, according to a public opinion survey commissioned by the *Monitin* monthly. The survey also shows that about 75 per cent of Israelis approve of the war and the way it was conducted.

The poll was conducted by the Dahaf Research Institute and directed by Dr. Mina Zemach. A representative sample of the population was surveyed early this month.

According to the survey, if elections were held now the Likud could win an absolute majority in the Knesset of 61 seats. It evinced the same strength in the July poll, but the May poll gave it only 51 seats. Labour slipped to 38 seats (39 in July and 45 in May). The national religious party remained stable with six seats and Agudat Yisrael with four. Shinui would win three seats if elections were held this month, and Tehiya and Citizens Rights Movement two each. Other lists would share the remaining four seats.

Zemach examined what would happen if a new centre party, headed by former defence minister Ezer Weizman and other public figures, appeared. In today's circumstances, according to the poll, such a list would make an impressive showing with some 16 Knesset seats.

But it would do most damage to the Labour Alignment, according to Zemach. The Likud would maintain a strong lead with 56 MKs, but the Alignment would slip to 30 MKs. The NRP would have six, Aguda

four, Tehiya two and Shinui and the CRM one each. Thus, concludes Zemach, two-thirds of a new centre party's power would be gained at the expense of the Alignment, Shinui, and CRM. The Likud would only contribute about a third to this hypothetical party's Knesset representation.

Seventy-five per cent of those questioned said that in retrospect they feel the war had been worthwhile in the way it had been conducted, taking all considerations into account, such as the fighting and the cost of lives. Only nine per cent opposed the war in its entirety.

However, Zemach said that even among the 75 per cent there are nuances of opinion. Those questioned were given a list of positions to indicate which most reflected their stand. Fifty-two per cent emerged either in agreement with all stages of the campaign or advocated an even more hawkish position. Thus 35 per cent thought the IDF should have entered West Beirut, while 17 per cent said they approve of precisely what was done.

But 23 per cent said they approved of only the first stage of the war, taking the 45 kilometre strip adjacent to the border. Thirteen per cent agreed that the IDF should have gone beyond the 45-km. strip but should not have reached the Beirut area. The rest did not reply.

In any case, 74 per cent of those polled do not believe the terrorist problem has been wiped out entirely. This is more optimistic than the July poll when 82 per cent felt Israel would still be troubled by terrorism. This month 22 per cent felt terrorism had been eradicated, while only 14 per cent held this opinion in July.

25,000 enemy in Lebanon after W. Beirut withdrawal

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Even if all the enemy leave West Beirut and none return through Syria, there will still be some 25,000 Syrian and PLO troops in Lebanon, a military source said yesterday.

Syria has two divisions in the Bekaa Valley and a third division just across the border with Lebanon, the source said.

Some sources believe these armoured and mechanized divisions are there to protect the road to Damascus. Syria had feared Israel would try to reach its capital through Lebanon, they said.

The Syrians also maintain some control over 4,000 to 5,000 PLO men in the Bekaa and several hundred more in the Matan mountains, the source said. These Palestinian units are partly remnants of troops previously deployed in the Fatahland and are now grouped into organized units. Some are from Iran, Pakistan and Bangladesh.

In the Tripoli area, where the population is believed to be pro-

Syrian, Damascus has deployed some troops but their number is "insignificant." There had been some 500 PLO men there and the number is believed to have increased by several hundred, the source said.

There is no clear idea how many PLO terrorists are still in the Tyre area. Last week one officer estimated 1,000, but a military source said yesterday "people are throwing around figures but nobody knows for sure. They are not organized. They're moving around like rats and hiding."

In West Beirut there are some 7,000 PLO members, but their internal composition — how many belonged to Fatah and how many to other organizations — was not clear, nor was the number of foreigners there known. There are, however, 3,000 soldiers in two Palestine Liberation Army brigades, Hittin and Kadisiyah, which come under Syrian command. The Syrians, remnants of the 85th brigade and commandos, are believed to number some 1,500, the military source said.

IDF reopens border to UNIFIL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — Defence Minister Ariel Sharon yesterday ordered the lifting of restrictions on the movement of civilian and military personnel working for the UN at Nakoura.

The closure of the Rosh Hanikra border crossing point, which went into effect at 1 p.m. Tuesday without prior warning and lasted until late Tuesday night, raised a storm among UN personnel. Most of the civilians working for UNIFIL in Nakoura, on the Lebanese side of

the border, live in Nahariya and were stuck in Lebanon for the night.

The IDF spokesman said yesterday that the restrictions had been imposed "for reasons of security" when UN officials in Nakoura sought an official explanation for the action.

Although the border crossing is open again, UNIFIL personnel are not allowed to travel northwards from the UN-controlled area of South Lebanon unless they hold a special permit and are accompanied by an IDF officer.

IRC visits two Israeli POWs in Syria

Jerusalem Post Reporter

International Red Cross representatives yesterday visited two Israeli prisoners of war in Syria and reported they were healthy and feeling well, the IDF spokesman said.

The spokesman said the IRC representatives visited Gil Fogel, an airman, and Arie Liberman who wrote letters to their families. The families were yesterday informed of

the visits.

However, the fate of several soldiers listed as missing was not clear and the IDF spokesman said Israel will continue every effort to find out what happened to them.

Yesterday's Red Cross visit followed pressure by parents of missing soldiers not to let the IRC representatives in Israel visit Syrians P.O.W. here until Damascus permits similar visits there.

Surgeons graft back fingers of two men

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Surgeons at Hadassah Hospital in Ein Karem on Monday night grafted back the severed fingers of two men who had been injured in two separate accidents.

The first accident occurred Monday in a Jerusalem printing plant

when a worker cut off six fingers while using a guillotine-type, heavy-duty paper cutter. The operation to reattach his fingers lasted eight hours.

A Beit Shemesh man had a finger torn off completely when his wedding ring got caught in a fence. His operation lasted five hours.



Alignment leader Shimon Peres, left, discusses the Middle East situation with President Francois Mitterrand at the Elysee Palace yesterday.

Peres-Mitterrand talks ease tension

PARIS (Reuters). — Israeli opposition leader Shimon Peres conferred with President Francois Mitterrand yesterday and said he believed the meeting had helped ease tensions between France and Israel.

He rejected allegations, voiced last week by Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin, that France was a land of rampant anti-Semitism, and said that Mitterrand was a friend of Israel with a very deep understanding of the country.

The leader of the Israeli Labour Party arrived on Monday. Diplomatic sources said Mitterrand had personally invited Peres, a friend and fellow Socialist.

Asked by reporters if his lengthy talk with Mitterrand had eased the strain in Franco-Israeli relations, Peres said: "I believe yes."

Peres later told a press conference, "I myself believe that there may be anti-Semites in France but

France herself is not anti-Semitic, neither by culture, by philosophy, nor by tradition."

Peres said, France and Israel agreed on most aspects of the Middle East. The main difference lay in their views concerning a future Palestinian state and the role of the PLO, he said.

The Mitterrand government believes an independent Palestinian state should be created with PLO participation once that organization recognizes Israel's existence.

Peres said his party believed the Palestinian question should be resolved with Jordan and that there was no room for a "Palestinian state with a Palestinian army at the gates of Jerusalem."

Labour had opposed the Israeli military intervention in Beirut and believes that Israel had no role to play as "policeman of the Middle East."

PRESIDENTIAL VOTE

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of the 92 surviving members and not of the full parliament.

Since some 30 deputies, who live in and represent areas under Syrian or PLO control, such as the Bekaa Valley or around Tripoli, will probably not be allowed to attend, Jemayel and his supporters are concerned that they will not be able to secure the necessary 62 votes on the first ballot, as required by the constitution.

However, if they cross this bridge, they are confident that they can muster at least the 47 votes required as the absolute majority to elect Jemayel on the next ballot.

The Sunni Moslem leader and former prime minister Said Salam is expected to attend, possibly guaranteeing the quorum, although it is clear he will vote against Jemayel.

Salam said the Moslem population of Lebanon refuses to be bullied into accepting a candidate whose policies would go against their interests.

But he said Moslem deputies would not attend tomorrow's session unless the Christian community came up with a candidate capable of winning the confidence of all the country's diverse religious groups.

As so many Lebanese observers point out, there is still room for last-minute jockeying and behind-the-scenes deals which could produce a surprise compromise candidate.

Israeli troops, who were holding positions around the Villa Mansura which served as the Lebanese parliament, were withdrawn at midday yesterday and handed over control of the area to the Lebanese Army.

The withdrawal, intended to remove any overt suggestions of pressure or interference in the election, took place on a tacit understanding that the PLO forces entrenched only some 50 metres away on the other side of the street

near the museum crossing point between the eastern and western parts of the city, would also not interfere in the voting.

The arrangement calls for a one-half square kilometre neutral zone around the parliament. The PLO is expected to withdraw today. An IDF officer told Gali Zahal that if it does, the IDF will take another step back.

The handover ceremony was delayed an hour because the Lebanese officers who were to take over the two-storey building arrived late. A Lebanese military source said the delay was on purpose — they did not want to take part in "an Israeli media event." TV and other reporters had been waiting at the scene.

If Jemayel is elected, he will assume office on September 29 and will then, in theory, be free to appoint a prime minister and cabinet as he sees fit. If there is no quorum tomorrow, elections will be delayed.

Jemayel assured his Israeli visitors Monday that should he be elected president, he will not turn his back on Israel. "So many of us have got used to taking Dramamine (a sea-sickness pill)."

The 34-year-old Jemayel was said to have made an extremely positive impression on his visitors, who described him as "slick, intelligent and articulate."

Sarah Honig, Post political reporter, adds that a subcommittee of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee that was due to leave for a tour of the Beirut area tomorrow will stay home. The trip was cancelled last night when the organizers realized that the outing would have coincided with the Lebanese elections.

Committee chairman Eliyahu Ben-Elissar determined that a trip at this time could be construed as interference in the electoral process of another nation.

The subcommittee is headed by Danny Rosolio and deals with Lebanon.

Golan Druse say gov't broke promise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDAL SHAMS. — Calls have been made in the last few days for a resumption of the recent strike by local Druse to protest the extension of Israeli law to the Golan Heights. Several villages have called for the strike at meetings in the four Golan Druse villages, complaining that the Interior Ministry's promise to issue special documents allowing travel outside the villages has not been kept.

Druse who have not yet accepted Israeli identity cards are in effect restricted to the four villages.

The Interior Ministry has denied that such a promise was made and has reiterated that the only documents to be issued to Druse are regular Israeli ID cards.

The Ministry claims an increase in the number of Druse requesting Israeli IDs since the end of last month's strike.

At the UN: Blum lashes Arabs for 'using' PLO

By LEON HADAR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent and agencies

UNITED NATIONS. — Israel yesterday launched a bitter attack in the General Assembly on the "rapacious" leaders of the Arab world, accusing them of using the Palestine Liberation Organization for their own ends.

In their traditional fashion, most Arab delegates either absented themselves from the chamber or walked out when Ambassador Yehuda Blum took the rostrum.

The Security Council meanwhile, met behind closed doors to ponder whether to keep UNIFIL troops in Lebanon.

Blum, speaking on the second day of a special emergency session on the Palestinian question, described the debate as "a blatant and unrivalled abuse of the machinery of the United Nations."

In contrast to previous sessions, which the Arabs and their supporters introduced various extraneous resolutions which were opposed by most of the western bloc members, this time an attempt is being made to introduce a comparatively moderate resolution which will enable the Arabs to broaden support for an independent Palestinian state.

The Arabs hope that the resolution, which will call for a comprehensive peace settlement in the Middle East with the participation of the PLO, will lead to the establishment of a Palestinian state.

The draft resolution circulated here yesterday does not call, as on previous occasions, for the expulsion of Israel from the assembly. The Arabs hope that the resolution will be supported by the western members and that the U.S. will abstain, thus leaving Israel totally isolated.

The essence of the draft resolution — which also reaffirms Security Council resolutions calling for Israel's withdrawal from Lebanon and condemns Israel for attempts to change the "physical character, demographic composition, institutional structure or status" of the West Bank and Gaza — is the convening of a UN-sponsored international conference on the Middle East, with the participation of the PLO on an equal footing.

In a speech to the General Assembly yesterday, head of the PLO political department Farouk Kaddoumi indirectly called for American recognition of the PLO, implying that such a step would enable the U.S. to play a more effective role as a Middle East mediator.

Egypt's representative, Amre Moussa, expressed support for American peace efforts in the Middle East but called for Washington to establish contact with the PLO. He said that the Israeli invasion of Lebanon will only enhance the Palestinian devotion to Palestine.

EL AL PROTEST

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Khomeini talking to Shapira; mood of late Shapira's home on Rehov Stricker.

"We came to protest peacefully against Shapira and Agudat Yisrael whom we regard as responsible for the decision to close El Al and cause huge financial losses and mass dismissals among us," said El Al workers committee spokesman Gabi Saltzman.

He warned that in the future El Al workers might resort to "less peaceful" means.

Saltzman said that Agudat Yisrael's "lies and denunciations" about the El Al workers' demonstration at Ben-Gurion Airport last Thursday (when ultra-Orthodox passengers were not allowed into the terminal) were an attempt to distract the public from the issue at stake. "We did not physically attack anyone during the demonstration, and an El Al worker was the only one who rushed to the help of one woman who fell down," he said.

He added that the group outside Shapira's home was small because a gathering of 50 people or more requires a police permit.

Two police cars arrived on the scene. Police asked the demonstration leaders to put out their torches and detained five committee members for questioning.

Earlier yesterday the parity committee appointed to try to solve the conflict between the Histadrut and Hapoel Hamizrachi and Poalei Aguda met and decided to continue negotiations tomorrow. Hapoel Hamizrachi and Poalei Aguda reiterated their positions that they would not compromise in the matter of flights on the Sabbath and religious holidays.

They said, however, that they oppose dismissals of workers due to stopping El Al flights on Saturdays and holidays.

Knesset will hold special sitting today

Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset meets in special session at 11 A.M. today, its second extraordinary sitting since it recessed on July 28.

Three subjects are on the agenda, all requested by at least 30 signatories: the action of a group of El Al workers last Thursday in delaying ultra-Orthodox passengers from entering Ben-Gurion Airport; the planned stoppage of El Al flights on the Sabbath; and the plight of the elderly.

Kuwait boycotts U.S.

KUWAIT (UPI). — Kuwaiti business and religious leaders yesterday launched a campaign to boycott American goods to protest alleged U.S. support for the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, officials said.

On the eve of the campaign, about a dozen anti-American protesters burned an American flag Monday night near the U.S. Embassy.

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Despite balking, medical unit opened in Sidon

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The new dialysis department in the Ein Hilwe Government Hospital in Sidon was opened recently following Israeli intervention to overcome resistance by the central Lebanese health authorities, according to a source familiar with rehabilitation work in Southern Lebanon.

The five-unit dialysis section was donated by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) to replace the equipment destroyed in fighting with the terrorists. The Ein Hilwe Hospital, next to the refugee camp of the same name, was used as a fortified position by the terrorists and most of its facilities were destroyed.

The Lebanese health minister is pro-Syrian, according to the source, and has refused to meet with Israeli

officials or with doctors attached to the IDF unit aiding Lebanese civilians. The minister's representative in the south has been obstructing efforts to restore government health services, particularly in the Ein Hilwe Hospital. Since mid-June, the 25 dialysis patients in the Sidon and Tyre areas have been sent to Nahariya for treatment.

The director of the Ein Hilwe Hospital, a Christian doctor, reportedly pleaded with the Israeli aid unit to issue an order to open the dialysis department. Until now the hospital has been providing only minimal outpatient services.

The commander of the IDF aid unit, Tat-Aluf David Maimon, discussed the matter with the local Lebanese governor. Who gave the order to open the new department.

The new dialysis machines were activated last Friday in the presence

of Israeli troops, sent to make sure that things would go as planned. The IDF aid unit sees the hospital as an important substitute for the medical facilities for Palestinian refugees which were destroyed or closed down as a result of the fighting. The hospital, which had previously treated only Lebanese, now accepts Palestinian patients as a result of Israeli urging.

Before the fighting, the refugees enjoyed extensive services provided by the Palestinian Red Crescent, the PLO and UNRWA. The UNRWA clinic in the Ein Hilwe camp, has also recently reopened.

The Israeli Health Ministry intends to replace the X-ray unit in the hospital, and the building of a new laboratory is being considered as a joint venture by UNICEF, the JDC and the Jerusalem interfaith public committee.

Half of U.S. aid to Lebanon sent via UN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

About half of the \$10 million in U.S. Lebanese aid funds already released are being channeled through UN agencies, the U.S. Embassy spokesman in Tel Aviv said.

The American government has earmarked \$15m. for aid to Lebanon, to be allocated by the U.S. Agency for International Development, out of this year's current AID budget. Committees of both houses of Congress have approved a special aid package of another \$50m., but this sum has not received final approval on the floor of the House and the Senate.

"It appears that the entire \$50m. will go to the Lebanese government, which will then decide how to spend it," the embassy spokesman said.

AID funds for developing countries are often channeled through voluntary organizations, which have greater freedom of action in countries sensitive to direct U.S. government involvement, or which have accumulated experience operating in certain countries.

Close to \$10m. of the \$15m. shifted from this year's AID budget has been allocated or pledged to the following groups: \$3.1m. to UNICEF, \$2m. to UNRWA, \$1.5m. to the International Red Cross, \$550,000 to the U.S.-based Catholic Relief Services, \$822,000 to Project Hope, \$300,000 to the U.S.-based Save the Children Federation, \$162,000 to the American University Hospital in Beirut, about \$1m. for food shipments through several organizations, and grants of \$100,000 or less to several other organizations.

Stockbroker disappears after fund's collapse

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Local "financial wizard" Akiva Bar, whose Habar Fund brokerage company made his clients millions on the stock exchange before crashing, has apparently left the country.

Dozens of Bar's clients now apparently stand to lose substantial sums. But by yesterday, no complaints had been lodged with the police and no investigation had been started.

Bar's lawyer, Yoel Goldberg, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that Bar had told him last week he had received a sudden call-up for reserve duty in Lebanon, beginning

last Sunday. "But I believe now that he has gone abroad," Goldberg said. He thought Bar fled because his life was threatened by some of his clients.

Bar's wife has remained in the country, though she and her husband left their Mount Carmel flat over the weekend to avoid trouble from his clients.

Goldberg noted that, within a year, Bar had "earned his clients sums beyond their dreams," but that the shares had later fallen. "As far as I can see, the clients have no legal case against him," Goldberg said. Bar could not have violated any condition of brokering licensing, as brokers need no licence and

anybody can open a brokerage office," he added.

The Habar Fund was started by Bar and two partners two years ago. It specialized in buying low-priced shares in massive quantities, thus forcing the price up. The firm soon swelled into a multi-million shekel business, but a couple of months ago, it crashed.

Many of the fund's clients, some of whom had invested hundreds of thousands of shekels with Habar, withdrew their funds and the partnership broke up. One of the partners recently sued Bar over an alleged debt arising from the dissolution of their partnership. The case is pending in the district court.

Ministry promises to reopen training centres

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The director-general of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs yesterday promised to make sure that three vocational retraining centres for new immigrants and veteran Israelis would reopen by September 1, even if the ministry has to operate them itself.

A group of about 25 persons demonstrated in front of the ministry in Jerusalem yesterday to protest the closing of the centres by the Ramot Corporation, which operates them on contract with the ministry. The firm, a subsidiary of Tel Aviv University, claims that the ministry owes it over \$5 million, half of the sum dating from 1981 and the other half from April this year. Ramot was forced to close the centres because it couldn't pay teachers' salaries, the firm's director said.

Some 350 immigrants and 200 veterans' Israelis, learning new professions such as accounting and computer programming, for which there is currently a demand in the labour market, will have their studies interrupted by the closures. The trainees, all university graduates, are forbidden to hold regular jobs, though they receive no government stipend. Some manage on unemployment grants while others live off savings for the duration of the courses, which range from eight to 12 months.

One of yesterday's demonstrators, a woman from the U.S., said that it was "not a very good feeling to have to demonstrate against the government to get what's coming to you." Another newcomer said that "it has been very difficult for us to make a mid-life career change. We have waited for many months for the course to

open, and then it's closed after two months. Some of us are probably going to give up and leave the country."

Labour and Social Affairs Minister Aharon Uzan emerged from the building during the demonstration and the protesters, who were standing 10 metres away from him, asked him to come talk to them. He ignored them and drove away. Uzan is also minister of immigrant absorption.

A small delegation of demonstrators met later with ministry director-general Asher Ohayon, who promised them the problem would be cleared up by September.

The ministry claims to have recently paid Ramot over \$1m., but says its claims for payment from last year have not been properly documented. The ministry will send an account to the company today to examine the claims. (See picture — page 7)

Nazareth merchants ask police protection

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — One hundred merchants here have appealed to the police for increased protection against criminals. They claimed that gangs have created an atmosphere of terror in the shuk (open-air market).

But more than 30 merchants thanked the police for this week's arrest of six residents on suspicion of being connected with the robbery and murder of Amina Aziya, 90, from Reina, near Nazareth, three months ago.

Police, claiming they are doing their best to reduce the crime rate, pointed to a 5 per cent decrease in crime in the first half of this year compared with the same period last year.

CLERGYMEN — Twenty-ones French-speaking Catholic and Protestant clergymen from Africa and Haiti are taking part in a two-month seminar on "Biblical Tradition and Community Development" at the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus.

Haifa's garbage is going to the 'frogs'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Giant refuse containers which were put into action during the recent strike of the city's garbage collectors are here to stay, the municipality has decided. The containers are a key element in the city's campaign to re-establish Haifa as the cleanest city in Israel, a spokesman said.

About 200 containers (called "frogs" because of their bright green colour) were hastily placed in and around the city during the strike about a fortnight ago, sometimes blocking roads. They are now being relocated closer to industrial areas, shopping centres and housing estates.

Ultimately the city plans to have 800 containers, costing between \$42,000 and \$55,000 each, to

replace ordinary household dustbins.

The containers are quickly emptied and put back in place using a specially designed truck which requires only a driver to operate. The existing garbage lorries, requiring a crew of six or seven, are to be gradually phased out.

Some people have already voiced strong reservations about the proposal. One Haifa resident told *The Jerusalem Post*: "Already we have to collect our mail from a distribution point; now they expect us to dispose of our garbage. It won't take long before they have us fetching our own water."

But a municipal spokesman said that the municipality had been bombarded with requests from people who want the containers to stay.

Motorist shot after driving at policeman

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMLE. — A policeman yesterday shot and wounded a driver who tried to run him down near Moshav Yad Rambam in the Ayalon Valley, police said.

The pre-dawn shooting occurred after police received a call that a car was drag-racing along the road and discovered a vehicle matching the car's description parked outside the Moshav.

Rav-Samir (sergeant-major) Abdallah Hassuna of the Ramle police approached the car but the driver tried to run him down, police said.

Hassuna fired at the car as it sped away, and it came to an abrupt stop a few metres down the road.

The passenger fled, discarding a bag containing watches and jewelry, which police believe were stolen only hours before from a Rishon LeZion flat. He was later picked up and identified as an escaped detainee.

The driver, who was wounded in the back, was rushed to Assaf Harofeh Hospital in critical condition.

In accordance with standing orders, an officer was appointed to investigate the shooting.

Teachers' labour dispute put off

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Teachers' Union has acceded to a request by Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and has postponed declaring a labour dispute until after union leaders meet with the minister tomorrow.

The representatives of the two teachers' unions (the Histadrut un-

ion and the Secondary School Teachers' Association) will decide on what joint action to take after tomorrow's meeting.

The threat to declare a labour dispute stems from a stalemate in the talks on how to implement recommendations of the Etzioni report, including pay raises for teachers.



Avital Shcharansky (left) and other immigrants from the Soviet Union dedicate a grave yesterday in honour of her husband, prisoner of Zion Anatoly Shcharansky, in the Jewish National Fund's Soviet Jewry Forest near Messilat Zion west of the Jerusalem hills.

Arabs held for harassing Galilee Jewish settlements

By YOEL DAR

ACRE. — Over 20 Arab residents of Galilee have been arrested or investigated on suspicion of having harassed Israeli settlements in the Beit Netofa Valley in Lower Galilee, the police reported yesterday. Police sources are convinced that the harassment is motivated by the war in Lebanon.

Arab youngsters reportedly belonging to radical groups blocked the main road leading to Kibbutz Lotem near Arraba village, burned tires and stoned a passing car. Others destroyed portions of the road leading to the lookout settlements of Ma'aleh Tzevia and Hararit, and daubed "Long Live the PLO" and "Down with the Zionist Aggressors" on road signs.

In Arraba, a leaflet was circulated which sharply attacked the government and police. Slogans against the war were painted on walls Monday night but were later removed, apparently by moderate groups. Two young people from Kaboul village were also arrested this week on suspicion of unfurling a Palestinian flag on the local school building.

Despite the arrests and investigations, the Jewish settlements refrained from lodging complaints with police in order to maintain

friendly relations which they have with most of their Arab neighbours. The police deputy commander of the Galilee district Yoram Yitzhaki told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the police have increased their patrols in the area and have warned local Arab authorities that acts of harassment would not be tolerated. Although there was no official reaction from village authorities, many local residents have condemned the hostile actions, but say they understand the frustration which comes from keeping silent while relatives are being killed in Lebanon.

The Israel Communist party (Rakah) has charged that the police are "punishing innocent people." A spokesman said police have set up roadblocks at the entrances to Sakhnin, Arraba and Dir Hanna villages and are checking persons' cars and identities without explanation. Rakah and the Sons of the Village movement have separately organized political gatherings against the war in many Galilee villages.

Anti-war protests have taken place in other Arab areas as well, including Umm el-Fahm in the Triangle and the Wadi Nisnas neighbourhood in Haifa.

Hadassah's 68th convention to bring 2,000 to Jerusalem

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two thousand Hadassah members will arrive next week for the Zionist women's organization's 68th convention as a show of solidarity for Israel that, according to Hadassah's national president Frieda Lewis, hasn't flagged as a result of the war in Lebanon.

The convention, in Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'uma — from August 25 through September 2 — will mark Hadassah's 70th anniversary. Delegates will come from all 50 states of the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

At a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday, Lewis dismissed a newspaper report that Hadassah had considered cancelling or postponing its convention because of Israel's involvement in Lebanon.

"We are here to show our love and devotion to the people and State of Israel," she said. The delegates will be accompanied, in many cases, by husbands and families, including grandchildren.

She asserted that despite "unfair" American press coverage of the war, many of Hadassah's 370,000 members have expressed their support of Israel through messages to their representatives in Washington. "There has been no erosion of support" for Israel among Hadassah members as a result of the war, she added.

The convention opens with the awarding of the organization's highest honour, Hadassah's Henrietta Szold Award, to President Yitzhak Navon (previous recipients include Harry Truman, Eleanor Roosevelt, Hubert Humphrey and Ida Nudel.) Delegates will dedicate new



Hadassah stamp

operating theatres at the Hadassah-University Medical Centre. Speakers will include Prime Minister Menachem Begin, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and U.S. Ambassador to the Helsinki Watch Committee Max Kampelman. An audio-visual show on the organization's seven decades will be presented in the Caesarea amphitheatre on August 31.

Lewis noted her organization's efforts to promote aliya, including the sending of more than 200 youths of high school and college-age to Israel this summer, and the appointment of a national aliya officer.

The postal services yesterday issued first-day covers of a 1S12 stamp commemorating Hadassah's 70th anniversary. A festive poster has been designed by Menashe Kadishman.

German cabbies' drive for Israel

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — German taxi drivers will launch a campaign to improve Israel's image in their country. Claus Rock, chairman of the 1,000-member Westphalia Taxi Owners' Union, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Rock, who is also an official of Germany's national transport business union, is currently touring Israel with Peter Reinermann, the union's public relations officer in Westphalia.

Rock said that he plans to counter the slanted reports on the

war in Lebanon appearing in the German media by publishing an article in the union's monthly organ, giving the true picture.

He said that he will also encourage large groups of union members to come to Israel to get a first-hand impression of the situation.

Although Rock's colleagues told him he was "crazy" to come to Israel in the middle of a war, he felt that his visit was especially important at this time, he said.

Rock officially invited his Israeli counterpart, Shlomo Oshero, to visit Germany and presented him with a friendship plaque.

Norwegian pastor denies charges of funding frauds

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The director of the Carmel Church Institute here, Norwegian pastor Per Fay Hansen, and his daughter, Gru Wenske, have denied allegations of fraud, mismanagement of funds and currency offences, which appeared in a Norwegian newspaper and *Ma'ariv*.

Wenske said yesterday that she had talked by phone to her father, who is currently in Oslo, and he said he had no knowledge of charges being brought against him, as reported by the newspapers. He had not been arrested, she told.

Wenske said her father intended to sue the Norwegian paper that

printed the allegations and she would sue *Ma'ariv*.

According to the report, the allegations were first raised by former employees of the institute. However, Wenske believes the real motivation is that her father strongly opposes missionary work among Jews. He recently published a booklet *The Mission to the Jews is Unbiblical*, which she said apparently angered missionary-spirited Christians in Norway.

The Carmel institute runs two Scandinavian seamen's churches and homes in Haifa and Ashdod and an institute in Jerusalem where pilgrims can hear lectures on Israel and Zionism.

Hansen, 66, has been running the institute since 1949.

Wenske said her father firmly supports Israel and Zionism, noting that he was active in the rescue of Norwegian Jews during World War II. She said her father is convinced that God wants the Jews to stay Jewish and therefore it is wrong to try to convert them.

Referring to the allegations, she noted that the "publishing house" they allegedly owned actually puts out newsletters about their work in Israel in Norwegian and German. They do not own a "hotel," and possess official certification from Norwegian tax authorities that as a church institution they are not liable to taxation. They also have

bank statements certifying the legality of all currency transfers her father had made.

She also dismissed as "big lies" the allegation that her father "persuaded" elderly women to leave their property to the institute and had put the proceeds in his own pocket.

Wenske stressed that the seamen are received in the homes without charge, and that the work, including visits to the seamen on their ships, are financed by voluntary contributions from Scandinavia and Germany.

Hansen went to Norway last month and is due to return to Israel in October.

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U.S. agrees to phase out arms sales to Taiwan

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. yesterday announced its intention to end arms sales to Taiwan, but left open a final cut-off date.

In a communique issued jointly with Peking, Washington said it planned a gradual reduction of arms sales as part of a policy "leading gradually to a final resolution."

China, which strongly objected to the arms sales, reiterated previous statements that it would strive for peaceful reunification with Taiwan. But the U.S. did not get the public renunciation of the use of force in recovering Taiwan which it originally demanded.

The communique is regarded by foreign diplomats in Peking as a major victory for China, which had threatened to downgrade diplomatic relations if the arms sales were not eventually halted.

China, however, dropped its demand for a specific date or timetable for the ending of the arms sales, agreeing to discuss the matter further. A spokesman for the Chinese Foreign Ministry said in a statement that the arms sales should have ended completely long ago but that China had agreed to halt it "step by step." This agreement, he said, was "the first step."

U.S. President Ronald Reagan

said in a statement that the joint communique "embodies a mutually satisfactory means of dealing with the historical question of U.S. arms sales to Taiwan."

He said the policy worked out with Peking would enable Washington to build a strong and lasting friendship with China while enabling it to maintain its obligations to Taiwan. He added that he attached great importance to China's renewed commitment to seek peaceful reunification with Taiwan.

Reagan said the Taiwan question was a matter for the Chinese people

on both sides of the Taiwan Strait to resolve, and the U.S. would "not interfere in this matter or prejudice the free choice of, or put pressure on, the people of Taiwan."

The communique was issued over 10 years after President Richard Nixon visited Peking in February 1972, ending three decades of hostility and separation between China and the U.S.

The document reaffirmed U.S. policy, stating that Washington had no intention of interfering in China's internal affairs or pursuing a policy of "two Chinas" or "one China, one Taiwan."

Soviet to support B'Aires claim at UN to Falklands

BUENOS AIRES. — A top-ranking Soviet diplomatic mission completed a week-long visit to Argentina yesterday and pledged its "enthusiastic support" for UN-sponsored negotiations on the Falklands conflict.

The mission, led by Vladimir Petrovski, Moscow's director of international organizations, also included Vadim Chekmazov, a Soviet Foreign Ministry Latin America expert.

Argentina's Foreign Ministry said in a communique that the mission's week of talks with Foreign Minister Juan Aguirre Lanari and other diplomats "verified once again the favourable development of ties between the two countries, and that (we) will seek ways of increasing (those ties)."

Argentina and 19 other Latin American states Monday submitted the Falkland Islands question to the agenda of the UN General Assembly session which opens on September 21.

They said in a letter to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar that the 157-nation body should call on Britain and Argentina to renew negotiations as soon as possible under UN auspices to settle their differences about the territory.

They urged a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute over the Falklands (Malvinas), which they said was an issue of grave concern to all Latin America.

Nations involved in the move are Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Bolivia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Venezuela, Salvador, Uruguay and Chile.

DONATION. — King Fahd of Saudi Arabia has ordered the kingdom to make a \$5 million donation to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) for relief in Lebanon, the official Saudi press agency reported yesterday.

Reagan asks support for bill hiking taxes

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Ronald Reagan, fighting conservative friends but backed by some opposition Democrats, went on nationwide television Monday night seeking grass-roots support for a \$98.3 billion tax increase which he said is fair for all Americans.

"We are within sight of the safe port of economic recovery," he said. "Do we make port or go around on the shoals of selfishness, partisanship and just plain bull-headedness?"

Reagan acknowledged the bill might not be politically popular, but he said "it is right for America," especially those in the lower income brackets.

"I support it because it's fair," he continued. "I support it because it will, when combined with our cuts in government spending, reduce interest rates and put more Americans back to work again."

Rebels attack Soviet Embassy in Kabul

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (UPI). — Rebels attacked the Soviet Embassy in the Afghan capital of Kabul, wounding two government soldiers and capturing two others in the fighting, a western diplomat said yesterday.

The fighting, described as unusually heavy, occurred last Wednesday night and Thursday morning and lasted at least an hour, the diplomat said.

There was no word on rebel casualties. The attack followed several sporadic attacks in Kabul against the Soviet forces occupying Afghanistan since December 1979.

DOE. — Liberian head of state Samuel Doe arrived in Washington on Monday for a five-day visit that will include talks with President Ronald Reagan and other senior officials.

The Democrats demanded equal television time to reply to Reagan

and their spokesmen were either supportive or neutral. The White House said a heavy volume of telephone calls following the speech was favouring Reagan 2 to 1.

Reagan insisted that despite the tax hike under the bill, the tax cut he pushed through Congress last year would result in a \$335 billion tax cut over the three-year period. Even with the new tax increase, the average American family will save \$788 next year because of last year's tax cut, he said.

The president's tone was defensive throughout the speech, which he wrote in longhand on a yellow legal pad during the weekend at Camp David, Maryland. The address climaxed a two-week White House blitz of reluctant Republicans. Reagan has personally lobbied 100 members of the House.

The bill would increase some existing American taxes, close or limit a number of business tax writeoffs and tighten taxpayer compliance rules to raise \$98.3b. over three years.

Among its provisions are 10 per cent withholding of dividend and interest income, more stringent reporting of income from restaurant tips, doubling of the cigarette tax, tripling of the excise tax on telephone service, and increase in the tax on airline tickets and new limits on medical deductions.

Business would face higher taxes due to the elimination of a key section of the 1981 tax cut that allowed firms to buy and sell unused tax breaks, repeal of rules for accelerated depreciation, a reduction in allowable investment tax credits and an acceleration in annual corporate tax payments.

He said that of the nearly \$99b. to be raised, \$32b. represents collection of taxes owed but not being paid under present laws.

Irish cabinet minister quits after friend held for murder
DUBLIN (Reuters). — Irish Dublin-General Patrick Connolly resigned on Monday night following the arrest at his apartment of a man who has been charged with two murders.

Connolly, 55, said he resigned because of the embarrassment the incident has caused the government. "My involvement in this case is entirely innocent," he added.

Prime Minister Charles Haughey said in a statement that Connolly was a "kind, compassionate man" and that he accepted his departure with regret. The affair has shaken Haughey's minority government, with opposition politicians calling

for a full explanation of the matter. The arrested man, 36-year-old Malcolm McArthur, gave Connolly's home as his address when he was charged at the weekend with the murder of a nurse and a farmer last month. Connolly said he had no suspicions when McArthur, whom he had known for several years, asked to be put up at the flat on August 4.

"At no time did I have any occasion to entertain any suspicions. The events which have taken place have taken me wholly by surprise and came as a very great personal shock to me," Connolly said in a statement.

Australia's ban on two Soviet scientists protested
STOCKHOLM (AP). — The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences sent a telegram to Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser on Monday protesting a decision by the Australian government to refuse visas to two Soviet scientists, the academy announced.

The telegram warned that the decision could lead to sanctions against Australia by the International Council of Scientific Unions.

The two scientists were to have taken part in the 12th International Congress of Biochemistry in Perth. The academy said Australia refused the visas to protest the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and the suppression of human rights in Poland.

'Saturday Review' suspends publication
NEW YORK (AP). — The Saturday Review, an American magazine of literature and the arts for most of its 58 years, suspended publication on Monday and furloughed its staff, citing continuing financial losses.

The prestigious magazine, which fell on hard times and was brought back from bankruptcy in 1973, reportedly had been losing a million dollars a year since 1979. Its last issue sold 480,000 copies.

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Pro-Solidarity banners, leaflets erupt in Warsaw

WARSAW (Reuters). — Underground Solidarity activists strung banners across a central Warsaw street and showered leaflets from roofs in the first demonstration of their two-week campaign to promote the suspended union and oppose martial law.

The gesture was made as military leader General Wojciech Jaruzelski returned from a visit to the Soviet Union during which he told President Leonid Brezhnev that counter-revolutionary forces, supported by external factors, were hindering Poland's efforts to recover from its crisis.

Underground leaders have appealed for leaflets and posters to be distributed in support of Solidarity in the next fortnight and for mass demonstrations against martial law on August 31.

Yesterday afternoon red-and-white banners were strung across Hoza Street, which runs off the

main Marszalkowska thoroughfare, with the words: "We demand amnesty for the convicted, we demand release of the internees, we demand agreement."

The banners were strung from the eighth storey windows of apartment blocks on either side of the street. Detonating devices placed on the roofs scattered leaflets down the street, calling for people to take part in the August 31 demonstrations and giving four different locations in the capital where people should meet.

They were signed by the Solidarity Inter-Factory Workers' Committee.

As they fluttered into the street to be picked up by passers-by, a white balloon was released into the air towing a Solidarity star.

The banners were removed, apparently by security forces, after 15 minutes.

Over 200 hostages reportedly held Rebel Seychelles troops want senior officers fired

NAIROBI (Reuters). — Rebel soldiers seized the Seychelles radio station in Victoria yesterday, demanding the dismissal of senior officers, and threatened to kill more than 200 hostages unless loyal troops stopped attacking the building.

Seychelles residents contacted by telephone from Nairobi said that the rebels broadcast statements saying that they had been "treated like pigs" by senior officers and demanding that President Albert Rene hear their grievances.

(A French External Relations Ministry spokesman in Paris said President Rene had returned to the main island of Mahe and begun negotiating with the rebels.)

The residents said the rebels pledged loyalty to "Papa," the name by which President Rene is affectionately known, and appealed to him to return from a visit to outlying islands.

In one broadcast, the rebels said that they had 239 hostages in the radio station and would kill them unless loyal troops stopped their attempts to recapture the building.

Residents said there had been some fighting near the station, on the outskirts of Victoria, the capital.

Bomb defused in Namibian capital
WINDHOEK, South-West Africa-Namibia (UPI). — Police defused a bomb moments before it was due to explode in a store in Windhoek's main shopping street yesterday, a spokesman said.

The bomb was the first known to have been planted in an urban area of the territory since December, 1978, when two explosions rocked Windhoek on the same day.

Also in Windhoek yesterday, a magistrate's court fined outspoken newspaper editor Hannes Smith R2,250 (about \$54,000) after convicting him of 11 charges under several acts, including the Police and Defence Acts.

Smith, 50, editor of the Windhoek Observer, pleaded guilty to charges under the defence, police, publications control and pornographic or indecent photographic matter acts.

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Sports

Wilander learning to take it too

MASON, Ohio (AP). — Mats Wilander, the teenage Swedish tennis star who has been the giant-killer of the year, received a taste of his own medicine in the opening round of the \$300,000 ATP tournament here. He was beaten by his 18-year-old compatriot Thomas Hogstedt 7-5, 3-6, 6-1 in a 150-minute duel.

Hogstedt, only the 10th ranked player in his country and 153 on the world rankings, is among the group of young talented Swedes who are following in Bjorn Borg's footsteps and who have caused repeated upsets on the pro-circuit. Hogstedt had been a major rival to Wilander until he was sidelined for a whole season in 1980 because of a knee injury.

For the sixth-seeded Wilander, the French Open champ, this was a third disappointing exit in as many weeks. Last week, Israel's Shlomo Glickstein put him out of the Canadian Open.

Veteran Stan Smith, recovering from elbow surgery and illnesses that have reduced his playing schedule to just six tournaments this year, played well to defeat Jose Lopez-Masaso of Spain, 6-3, 6-7, 2-2 to open the tournament.

Tournament officials were buoyed by the fact that Jimmy Connors, who pulled out of the Canadian Open semi-final at the weekend, has recovered sufficiently from back trouble to participate. The world's three other top players, John McEnroe, Ivan Lendl and Vitas Gerulaitis, are also competing.

Jubilant Pakistan

LONDON (AP). — Imran Khan, captain of the Pakistan cricket team, said jubilantly yesterday that his country's sensational 10-wicket victory over England in the second Test on Monday would provide a marvellous boost to the game in Pakistan.

Storm clouds gathered and gloom enveloped Lords but there was sunshine in Pakistani hearts as they notched up an exciting victory with five overs to spare. Although Chris Tavare laboured for 407 minutes to make 82, and Ian Botham contributed 69, Muhammad Nazir, the medium-pacer who started the England rout, remained the hero. He finished with a remarkable 6-32.

This was only Pakistan's second-ever victory over England in 35 Tests. With the series now level at 1-1, the final Test starting next week at Leeds promises a real humdinger.

Final scores: Pakistan 428-8 dec. and 77-0; England 227 and 276.

Midfielders remain well on target to take the County championship title after recording a handsome haulings and 64-run win over Warwickshire yesterday.

Czechs upset in basketball tourney

BOGOTA (Reuters). — Canada, the U.S., Spain, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union have all won through to the final round of the men's world basketball championship here.

The Canadians surprisingly upset Czechoslovakia 104-99 after trailing for most of the game; U.S. beat Panama 100-79, Spain outplayed China 108-78, Yugoslavia (the reigning champions) defeated Uruguay 101-71 and the Russians beat Australia 103-69 in the latest round of games.

Seven nations, including the host team from Colombia, will contest the finals starting tomorrow. Australia are the other likely qualifiers.

SCOREBOARD

BASISBALL: Monday's results: American League — New York Yankees 4-3 in the return; Toronto 2, Cleveland 1; Detroit 3, Seattle 1; Boston 9, Baltimore 4; Chicago 6, Texas 1; California 8, Oakland 4; National League — Cincinnati 3, Houston 2 (11 innings) — only game scheduled.

RACING: Aintree, the Irish and French Derby winners, rumped home to take the York Cup. The odds-on favourite, ridden by Pat Eddy, led from start to finish to win by six lengths.

WRESTLING: Cuba created a major record when they made a clean sweep of all 30 gold medals in this branch of the Central American and Caribbean Games. Four years ago at the previous games the eight Cubans were deprived of one title and had to settle for 29 gold and one silver. Their domination was led off by Daniel Nunez who last week set a world record when he jerked 136 kilos (299.2lbs) in the featherweight category.

RAMAT GAN: Armies: Gung Book 4, 6.30, 8.30; Lyle-Cannonball Run 7.15, 9.30; Oakes: Papa Leon 7.15, 9.30; Oakes: Le Grand Pardon 7.15, 9.30; Ramat Gan: Conan the Barbarian 7.15, 9.30 (age 16 and over); Kfar Macabees: Voices 9.

HERZLIA: Tel Aviv: French Lieutenant's Women 7.15, 9.30.

PETAH TIKVA: Shalom: Cheshbon 1, 4, 7, 9, 15.

NETANYA: On Golden Pond 7, 9, 15.

HOLON: Savoy: Pops in Pops d'un Fil 9, 7, 9.30; Maged: Papa Leon 4.30, 7.15, 9.30.

RAMAT HASHARON: Eye of the Needle 7.15, 9.30; Shiggy: Da: 4.

HQ: HANSHARON: Barak's Journey of Mulee 9.30; They Call Me Trinity 7.15.



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10.10 The Watchmaker
15.00 Bailey's Wings (part 25)
17.00 Peace for Galilee — live magazine
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17.00 Rich-Rate — children's entertainment (repeat)
18.00 Around the World in Eighty Days (part 2)
ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 The Harper Valley P.T.A.
19.00 Between Citizen and State — a panel of deals with viewers' complaints
19.30 News
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a news roundup
20.03 The Duchess of Duke Street. Series about domestic life in London at the turn of the century. Starring Gemma Jones.
Part 7: Trouble and Strife
21.00 Mabat Newsweek
21.30 Moked — weekly interview hour
22.00 Strangers on a Train. Alfred Hitchcock's 1951 suspense film stars Farley Granger and Robert Walker.
23.40 News

JORDAN TV (unofficial):

17.40 Cartoons. 18.00 French Hour 18.30 (JTV 3) Richie Rich 18.40 (JTV 3) Amazing Animals 19.00 News in French 19.30 News in Hebrew 20.00 News in Arabic 20.30 The Two of Us 21.00 One Hundred Great Paintings 21.10 Well mean again 22.00 News in English 22.15 Big Hawaii

ON THE AIR

First Programme

6.11 Musical Clock
7.05 (stereo). Morning Music
8.05 (stereo). Morning Concert — Arne: Overture; Britten: Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings (Teatr); Handel: Ariadne, ballet music
9.05 (stereo). Mozart: Divertimento in F Major for wind instruments; Schubert: Trio No. 1. Op. 99 (Rubinstein, Szeryng, Fournier)
10.05 (stereo). Saint-Saens: Cello Concerto (Navarra, Munch); Shostakovich: Symphony No. 1 (Philadelphians, Ormandy)
11.05 Sephardi songs
11.30 Education for All
12.05 (stereo). From the Tape Library
13.05 (stereo). An Hour with Robert Casadesu, piano — Mozart: Concerto in

C Minor (New York, Pierre Monteux):

Beethoven: Sonata, Op. 2, No. 2, in A Major
14.10 Children's programmes
15.35 Notes on a New Book
16.05 (stereo). Israel Festival Preview
17.00 Talmud lesson
17.20 Introduction to the Oral Law
17.35 Programmes for Olim
20.05 Everyman's University
20.35 (stereo). The Israel Chamber Orchestra. Un Segal conducting. Liora Ziv-Li, piano — Mozart: Serenade No. 3, K.185; Piano Concerto in G Major K.453, Dvorak: Serenade for Strings, Op. 22
23.05 (stereo). Light Classical Music — Dvorak: Legends, Wieniawski: Legend; Nielsen: Pan and Syren
00.30 (stereo). Night Music

Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics
6.22 Agricultural Broadcasts
6.35 Editorial Review
6.54 Green Light — drivers' corner
7.00 The Morning — news magazine
8.05 Puss in Sandals — children's programme
9.05 All Shades of the Network — morning magazine
12.05 A Hole in the Net
13.00 Midday — music, news commentary
14.10 In a Minor Tone — with Elud Manor
16.05 Press Conference — introduced by Yitzhak Golan
17.10 Magazine
17.05 Programme for Senior Citizens

18.47 Bible Reading — Psalm 86

19.00 Today — people and events in the news
20.10 Sephardi songs — recordings of a live performance
21.05 Jazz Corner
22.05 Questions and Answers on Antisocial matters
23.05 Good Evening from Jerusalem

Army

6.06 Morning Sounds
7.07 "707" — Alex Ansky reviews the morning papers
8.05 IDF Morning Newscast
9.05 Right Now
11.05 Musical request
12.05 Israeli Summer — with Eli Yisraeli
14.05 Two Hours — music, anecdotes and interviews
16.05 Four in the Afternoon — Hebrew songs
17.05 IDF Evening Newscast
18.05 The Navy and Operation Peace for Galilee
19.05 Music Magazine
20.05 Foreign Language Hit Parade
21.00 Mabat Newsweek
22.05 Popular songs
23.05 Army and Defence Magazine (repeat)
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"LEBANESE NATIONALISM is essentially Maronite nationalism," says Dr. Meir Zamir, lecturer in Middle Eastern history at the Ben-Gurion University in Beer-Sheva. "It was the Maronites who founded Lebanon, and they are determined to retain control."

"The Maronites have developed a strong sense of uniqueness, both historical and religious. They started from their stronghold in Mount Lebanon and slowly moved southward until they became the most widespread community in Lebanon."

"While Islam was sweeping across the Fertile Crescent in the 7th Century, the Maronites (a Christian tribe from which the Maronites claim descent, along with the earlier Phoenicians) held tenaciously to their own customs and beliefs."

"For centuries, the Maronites enjoyed autonomy and formed a close association with Mt. Lebanon — so much so that by the 19th century they wanted to translate their sense of uniqueness into nationhood: a secular state."

Their determination not to live under Muslim rule was intensified by the massacre of 10,000 of their co-religionists by the Druse in 1860, and by the fact that the Turks caused 100,000 more to perish from hunger and disease in the First World War.

"Once that war was over, and the Ottoman Empire was in ruins, the

Understanding the Maronites

By Liora Moriel/ Jerusalem Post Reporter



Maronites, backed by the French, demanded a Lebanese state.

"They did not settle for a smaller Lebanon, centred mainly in the Mt. Lebanon area where they were clearly the majority, but laid claim

to a larger area with its attendant hostile Moslem population. By the very act which should have fulfilled their national aspirations they planted the seeds of their possible future destruction."

"Statistics are terribly important in Lebanon," said Zamir, "the whole system of government is based on proportional confessional representation, and so is the civil administration."

"The last formal census, in 1932, showed the Christians as about 52 per cent and the Moslems were 48 per cent of the population. Since then, the whole balance has changed. Emigration among the Christians is greater and their birth rate is lower than that of the Moslems."

"Unofficial population figures, published in the largest Beirut daily on November 5, 1975 estimate that the Moslems now number more than two million or 60 per cent of the population, while the Christians account for 1.25 million or 40 per cent. Of these 496,000 are Maronites, 260,000 Armenians, 230,000 Greek Orthodox and 213,000 non-Maronite Catholics."

"In 1920 when Lebanon was established within its present borders the Maronites were the largest sect, now they are the third largest; but under the Constitution and the National Pact of 1943 they are still in a dominant position."

"The whole system is based on a ratio of six Christians to five Moslems. This is why the number of members of parliament is always a multiple of 11. Today there are 99, or rather 92 — seven have died

since this parliament was elected in 1972. It's now supposed to elect a new president but I don't see how."

"Since the Pact of '43, the president has always been a Maronite, elected for a term of six years by either a two-thirds majority on the first ballot or by a simple majority on the second."

As to the other Christian communities in Lebanon, Zamir said that their positions in the current struggle are not all the same.

"First of all," he said, "there are the Greek Orthodox, the most pro-Arab of the Christian sects. Unlike the Maronites, they are scattered all over the Arab world and are especially strong in Syria."

"Also, the National Socialist Syrian Party, which calls for a Greater Syria incorporating Lebanon and Israel, was founded by Anton Sa'adeh, a Greek Orthodox. The head of the party today is a Greek Orthodox, In'am Ra'ad, and during the Civil War in 1975-76 the party received Libyan aid in arms and money. Its members fought against the PLO and the Lebanese left against the Maronite militias."

Dr. Zamir went on to say that both Michel Aflaq, founder of the Ba'ath party, and Dr. George Habash of the Palestinian Liberation Army are Greek Orthodox.

The Greek Orthodox Christians never felt as threatened as the Maronites; they were always more accepted by the Moslems. Since they had no reason to hide or run, they were more prone to live in towns. The Greek Orthodox also tended to co-operate with the Arabs, unlike the Maronites.

"The Maronites were the Moslems' strongest adversary, while the other Christian sects 'agreed to a measure of Islamization in their language and customs' Zamir told me."

"The Maronites were also more willing to resort to force than were the others. In this, and in their more rural location, they were similar to the Druse."

"The Greek Catholics, on the other hand, side with the Maronites — they joined together to fight the Syrians last year, in Zahle, their stronghold. Usually, where there are Maronites you find Greek

Catholics as well."

"Although the Civil War began as a conflict between the Phalangists and the PLO, it soon escalated into a civil war between the Moslems and the Christians, and it is this which has led to the collapse of the Lebanese state."

"The root of the Lebanese problem is the struggle between the Christians and the Moslems for control of the country and the defining of its national identity — a struggle which has gone on for 60 years."

"You could say that up to '75 the unique Lebanese political system, despite its shortcomings, gave a reasonable solution to its multi-confessional society."

"The Civil War brought about a polarization with hatred and fear between Christians, Moslems and other sects."

"The differences between the various sects today are deeper and stronger than ever before. I think that any attempt to reconstruct Lebanon as a united country as it was before 1975 will have little chance of succeeding in the long run."

(Advertising Section)

SOON AFTER beginning their clinical surgery studies in hospital, medical students consider that diagnosing acute appendicitis is a piece of cake. When they enter the less ordered world of the emergency room, they may review this opinion, and as qualified doctors, gaining practical experience, they soon come to realize, as did all their predecessors, that an accurate diagnosis of the condition often demands the highest measure of clinical skill and acumen.

Even today in the best diagnostic hands, a small minority of cases, operated upon for what is thought to be a "hot" appendix, prove to have a quite different explanation for their symptoms — a normal-looking appendix is found in surgery.

In such cases, the appendix still has to be removed; the tell-tale scar left on the abdomen could cause diagnostic confusion later should the patient again develop abdominal symptoms. Also, occasionally what looks normal to the naked eye proves to be otherwise on microscopic examination.

I was reminded of all this recently when 20-year-old Ilana Arvid came to see me at one of my clinics with a discharge note from the surgical department at the local hospital. This informed me that the week before she had undergone an appendectomy after a bout of severe abdominal pain, which had been going on for about 36 hours. I had been on holiday at the time so I

Cycle of pain

DOCTOR'S NOTEBOOK/David Samson

hadn't known beforehand about her hospitalization.

The note went on to say that at operation an apparently normal appendix had been removed. This in spite of a pre-operative assessment sufficiently persuasive to prompt surgery.

Concluding his summary, the surgeon suggested with hindsight that the correct diagnosis had probably been atypical mid-menstrual cycle pain. I told Ilana about this but to avoid any possible misunderstanding, I was careful to stress that in the condition she had been, the surgeon had really had no alternative but to operate; any further delay had she actually had an inflamed appendix could have been extremely dangerous.

SINCE SHE could well have the same sort of pain again, I told her a little more about it, a quite common condition. Because of its usually mild and transient nature, it is rarely seen in hospital surroundings, let alone family doctors' clinics.

Mid-cycle pain, or *mittelschmerz*, as it is also known, is a woman's upset. It is associated with normal

ovulation when the "egg," or ovum, leaves the ovary for the nearby fallopian tube. Ovulation takes place about half-way between one menstrual period and the next, and so the pain of *mittelschmerz*, if experienced, occurs about 10 to 15 days after the end of a period. It is thus quite distinct from the discomfort some women have just before and/or after menstruation itself begins.

Mid-cycle pain may be felt in the lower central abdomen, but it's when it's located more laterally, especially to the right, and when it lasts longer and is more severe than usual, the confusion with appendicitis, or other conditions, can occur.

Normally the pain is mild and lasts for only a few hours, rarely for a day or more. The major pointer to the diagnosis of the disorder is, of course, its recurrence on a regular mid-cycle basis. However, although 50 per cent of women experience it at some time during their reproductive life, some may do so on only one or two occasions, others more regularly. Thus if the attacks are sporadic or occurring for the first or second time, this valuable clue may

not be very obvious.

Various theories have been put forward to account for the pain. The one most commonly accepted is that it is due to the irritation of the peritoneum, the "lining" of the bowel and abdominal cavity, by a small amount of fluid which manages to escape from the ovary around the time of ovulation. Anatomically the ovaries lie in close relationship to the peritoneum. Interestingly, much of the pain of appendicitis may also be due to peritoneal irritation.

THE PAIN persists until the fluid has been absorbed, and the associated tissue reaction has subsided. Usually mild pain-killers, self-prescribed, are sufficient to tide a woman over what is generally only a short-lived, minor, discomfort. Knowing that the pain signifies a normally functioning ovary also makes the situation more tolerable.

Women taking the contraceptive pill do not have mid-cycle pain since in such circumstances ovulation is ordinarily suppressed. For some women then this is an additional benefit of "the pill."

"Did they know in the emergency room that you were in mid-cycle?" I asked Ilana.

"No," she replied, "nobody asked me about all that until after the operation."

"Well," I consoled her, "at least if you do get this sort of pain again, they can't take out your appendix twice, not even in Israel."

The subtle judgement of art

By GIDEON RACHMAN/Special to The Jerusalem Post

importance of art education and to define more closely what it should be.

The atmosphere at the opening was the eager disorder of an academic circus come to town. Organizers rushed around herding flocks of teachers and the first lecture had to be postponed while emergency repairs were made on Professor Al Hurwitz's spectacles.

T.S. Eliot's maxim that, "Art communicates before it is understood" was dramatically vindicated when it was discovered that much of what Professor Eliot Eisner had tried to communicate remained unknown to his audience, when the simultaneous translation system failed. Luckily the lecture that most were waiting for, intriguingly called "The Frog — Why?" was delivered in Hebrew.

The existential stance of the frog drew no comments from other lecturers and what seemed to arouse the most interest were the lectures relating to the broader functions of art teaching in society. The problem was defined by Professor Gilbert Clark of Indiana University who spoke of the tendency of those who

frame school curriculae, "to see art as a needless frill."

Clark's paper, "Making Art Essential In Education" proposed a plan for making art an obligatory subject at all school levels and even beyond.

Before Professor Clarke there had been a series of lecturers attempting to show why art was worthy of the status of a core subject in the first place.

Some argued that aesthetic gratification remained the primary justification for the teaching of art, but Professor Eisner of Stanford University tried to provide a more utilitarian justification for art, stressing its non-aesthetic social values.

EISNER ARGUED that the division between so-called intellectual and non-intellectual subjects was artificial and that it had been "disastrous for education" because it had created "a dubious status-hierarchy of subjects."

The belief that art was a subject that required talent rather than intelligence and that it was in any case essentially useless is a big mistake, according to Eisner. Art, he said teaches higher levels of perception

and so helps children to acquire information and form their concepts. Cerebral concepts like that of "an angry man," only make sense in the context of a visual image, albeit an unconscious one.

Eisner also argued that art teaches a subtler judgement and one more suited to life than that taught by science. Science teaches definite laws, but in art there is no "correct" representation of anything, although one work of art might be better than another.

The sort of subtle discrimination that art teaches is closer than the rigidity of scientific laws, to what is needed in life, he said.

He wants to take art education itself "back to basics." It should be stressed that art is as important a form of communication as reading or writing.

At present he believes that art's important communicative function is being distorted by the way it is taught.

From the beginning, expression is emphasized and the learning of basic skills is neglected, which is rather like asking someone to write poetry before they have mastered the essentials of language.

Clark's view is that the central importance of art education can only be re-established if there is a return to traditional techniques.

baggage cloak room, and a six-year-old child was drowned in the river by his own mother.

"They don't consider their babies, their neighbours, their communities or their nation. They are simply selfish," says Oishi.

He blames the constitution, "given to Japan by the U.S. during the occupation," for encouraging the development of "selfish and egotistical people, economic animals and workaholics."

The young professor says he is the first of the faculty of his university, which has 5,000 students, to visit Israel. Five Israeli professors, however, have visited his university during this past year. He expects to return with many impressions of Israel, and will lecture to his students, and to his colleagues.

Jerusalem, with less than a third of Kyoto's population, reminds him of his hometown, which was the capital of Japan for 1,300 years. He expects to return on his sabbatical in another year and even wants to learn some Hebrew, which appears to him as "much harder than Japanese."



Prof. Hideo Oishi

View from Japan

By JUDY SIEGEL-ITZKOVICH/ Jerusalem Post Reporter

portrayed by Japanese TV, radio and newspapers, but he doubts that he will ever be interviewed by them about what he has seen here and on his two visits to Lebanon.

The Lebanese he spoke to clearly expressed their hatred of the PLO and their appreciation of Israel, he says.

And they voted with their feet. At the Hazmiyah junction in Beirut, I saw with my own eyes that many people were escaping from the West to the East, but almost nobody from

the east to the PLO-controlled West.

OISHI IS distressed by the "increased inhumanity as a result of faulty education" in Japan, as evidenced by a number of recent cases in his home city of Kyoto where mothers have murdered their own babies.

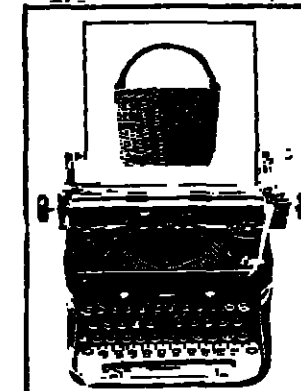
Between May and July, one newborn baby was found in a coin-operated locker, wrapped up in plastic, another was found in the

"IN JAPAN the big labour unions control the mass media. They are against Israel and for the PLO, just as they are for North Korea, Red China and Vietnam. It's a matter of ideology."

"The mass media support the PLO in the war in Lebanon, and repeat daily that Israel is to blame. Sohyo, the largest labour union in Japan, even invited PLO chief Yasser Arafat to Japan a few months ago. The media made it the biggest story of the day. The PLO has consistently supported the Japanese Red Army and other terrorist groups."

Says Dr. Hideo Oishi, a 34-year-old professor of law and foreign studies in the University of Kyoto. Oishi also believes that most Japanese "do not agree" with the opinions of the pro-PLO and anti-Israel media in Japan.

Oishi, at 29 the youngest Japanese to receive a doctorate, is here for six weeks to research Israel's unwritten constitution. He has found the country to be much different from what is



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Israel Chemicals buys \$5.5m. fertilizer plant

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel Chemicals yesterday announced that it had purchased a fertilizer plant in Holland for \$5.5 million, which will refine Negev phosphate rock.

The plant is owned by U.K.F., itself a subsidiary of D.S.M., a concern owned by the Dutch Government. D.S.M. has an annual turnover of \$7.5 billion, and it is one of the largest enterprises in Europe.

Israel Chemicals had been negotiating this deal for some time, but only recently did it receive final approval from the ministerial Economic Committee. Transfer of title will be on September 1.

Under the agreement, U.K.F. will refine 500,000 tons of phosphate rock each year for the next five years, with the option of extending this agreement. Each 500,000 tons of phosphate rock is valued at \$25 million.

U.K.F. will not only refine the phosphate, but will also market it under its own name, thus ensuring

that the fertilizer can be sold to all of the company's present European customers. The former U.K.F. plant will continue to be managed by the present Dutch staff.

Israel Chemicals also hopes that the agreement with U.K.F. will pave the way for future close cooperation with not only that company, but also with D.S.M.

Since Israel produces about two million tons of phosphates a year, the future of at least one quarter of this amount will be more or less assured for the next five years. This is important since the world market for fertilizers has been depressed lately due to the international business recession.

Israel Chemicals itself expects to export goods (phosphates, potash, refined products) from the Dead Sea Works valued at \$370 million in 1982/83. This constitutes a 15 per cent increase over the previous year (although the sum has not been deflated to take the depreciation of the dollar into account).

Coastal Police order two fast patrol boats

HAIFA. — The Coastal Police have awarded the tender for the construction of two fast patrol boats to the Israel Shipyard here.

The 16-metre-long boats, powered by twin 450 h.p. Cummins engines, are to be completed within a year, at a cost of some \$600,000. They will be deployed in Haifa and Ashdod harbours.

Licence for Migdal Or

TEL AVIV. — The Municipal engineering office has granted licences to complete the Migdal Or building near Mograbi square.

Five storeys have been completed and another 14 are planned. The project will have 28,500 sq.m. of floor space.

Bank of Israel Exchange rates

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U.S. dollar	27.1600
British sterling	46.2032
German mark	10.7977
French franc	3.8786
Dutch guilder	9.8068
Swiss franc	12.5843
Swedish krona	4.3764
Norwegian krone	3.9926
Danish krone	3.1033
Finland mark	21.7701
Canadian dollar	26.3248
Australian dollar	23.4248
South African rand	5.6413
Belgian franc (10)	15.6161
Austrian schilling (10)	1.9349
Italian lire (100)	10.2568
Japanese yen (100)	74.69
Jordanian dinar	5.6548
Lebanese lira	5.25

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Oil shares ignite market

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

TEL AVIV. — The "scent of oil" has been picked up by the speculative-minded sector of the investment community. "The oils greased the way for the rest of the market," quipped one veteran of the exchange. And he wasn't fooling. In an explosive burst, matched only by oil gushing from the Arad well, Paz's oil exploration shares soared by no less than 36 per cent. They were the most active issue traded yesterday.

Closing price	Change	% change	Volume
Commercial Banks & Bankholding			
IDB prf	31000	-1000	-3.1
IDB r	2747	+20	+0.7
IDB Br	2747	+20	+0.7
IDB prf A	8450	+100	+1.2
IDB prf B	6900	n.c.	n.c.
IDB prf C	4200	n.c.	n.c.
IDB prf D	4100	n.c.	n.c.
Union r	1770	+10	+0.6
Union prf	3200	+60	+1.9
Union prf A	3308	+15	+0.4
Union prf B	3308	+15	+0.4
Union prf C	4580	n.c.	n.c.
Union prf D	1920	n.c.	n.c.

Misrahi r	2173	+8	+0.4
Misrahi Br	1173	+8	+0.7
Misrahi prf	7880	-30	-0.4
Misrahi prf A	1900	n.c.	n.c.
Misrahi prf B	3780	+20	+0.5
Misrahi prf C	3840	n.c.	n.c.
Misrahi prf D	2040	n.c.	n.c.
Maritime 0.1 r	3720	+20	+0.5
Maritime 0.2 r	1420	+80	+5.6
Maritime 0.3 r	1583	+55	+3.5
Maritime prf	3485	+7	+0.2
Hapoalim r	2288	+7	+0.3
Hapoalim Br	2288	+7	+0.3
Hapoalim prf	16000	n.c.	n.c.
Hapoalim prf A	12000	n.c.	n.c.
Hapoalim prf B	7700	n.c.	n.c.
Hapoalim prf C	4930	n.c.	n.c.
Hapoalim prf D	3420	n.c.	n.c.

General A	3780	+15	+0.4
General prf	7880	-30	-0.4
General prf A	1074	-57	-5.3
General prf B	1783	+5	+0.3
General prf C	1485	+15	+1.0
General prf D	2410	+10	+0.4
Leumi r	312	+2	+0.6
Leumi prf	288	+1	+0.3
Leumi prf A	1940	-80	-4.1
Leumi prf B	1892	-80	-4.2
Leumi prf C	904	-1	-0.1
Leumi prf D	415	n.c.	n.c.
Danot prf	370	+1	+0.3
Danot prf A	1720	-20	-1.1
Danot prf B	5780	+110	+1.9
Danot prf C	1017	n.c.	n.c.

Mortgage Banks

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Adanin prf	980	+45	+4.6
Adanin prf A	980	+45	+4.6
Adanin prf B	2000	+10	+0.5
Adanin prf C	1000	+10	+1.0
Adanin prf D	894	+42	+4.7
Adanin prf E	1350	+80	+6.0
Adanin prf F	777	+58	+7.5
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Fallout after Beirut

THE BEGINNING of wisdom about the PLO lies in the acknowledgment that this is a foul, terrorist organization whose official ideology remains wedded to the extirpation of Israel as a state. Plainly the PLO cannot be viewed as a party, along with Israel, to any negotiated settlement of the Palestinian issue. But the PLO does not constitute any genuine threat to Israel's security, let alone its survival.

Indeed the PLO did not constitute any such threat at any time, not even on the eve of Operation Peace for Galilee, when it still had in its possession the masses of armaments of which it has in the meantime been denuded by the IDF.

Within Israel's government, however, the thesis appears to hold sway that Israel's security depends mainly on the PLO's total annihilation. The expulsion of the terrorists from West Beirut is a necessary, but not a sufficient condition: every last one of them must be removed from Lebanon, even if this involves Israel in a protracted war. Israel must not rest until it has wiped out that foul organization, Defence Minister Ariel Sharon told the Knesset when the war in Lebanon was only three weeks old.

This conception has now been challenged publicly by a cabinet member who throughout the war has shown a rare capacity for independent thinking — the minister of energy and infrastructure, Yitzhak Berman. In an address to the Haifa Rotary Club on Monday, Mr. Berman proposed that the threat to Israel stems today, as it did in the past, from the hostility, and the weaponry, of the Arab states. To keep chasing the terrorists all over the place, he contended, would only land Israel in a dangerous trap.

The demonic idea of the PLO has one useful purpose, to be sure. It suggests that by destroying the organization, and in no other way, Israel would be able to settle the future of the administered territories by eventually assimilating them into Israel's body politic. This Likud prescription for the solution of the Palestinian issue is, however, likely to run into a wall of opposition even from the U.S., which shares Israel's desire to rid Lebanon of all foreign forces.

There have been several indications lately that America's support in principle of Israel's war aims in Lebanon does not necessarily extend to the political benefits which the government would hope to reap from the war. Washington has in fact been signalling in a number of ways that it is anxious to distance itself from Israel.

If the Prime Minister's Office is right in its claim that President Reagan deliberately "stage-managed" his display of wrath over the IDF's assault on West Beirut last Thursday, then this in itself is a significant straw in the wind. Mr. Reagan, it would appear, was not content to have the aerial bombardment stop, especially as a result of an independent decision by Israel's government. He was determined to demonstrate to the American people, and perhaps to some other peoples as well, that he was out to discipline Israel. This would certainly be a turn in presidential attitudes which should trouble the Prime Minister's Office.

Now, Mr. Reagan has also taken the initiative, even before the start of the West Beirut exodus, to bring the Palestinian issue right into the centre of the political arena. At the president's request, Secretary of State George Shultz has started talks with Senate Republican leaders on the resolution of the broader Palestinian issue once the PLO is out of West Beirut. The underlying assumption is clearly that the military defeat of the PLO, now well-nigh complete, will not by itself solve anything, but that it serves to highlight the urgent need for a political solution.

According to reports from Washington, President Reagan, while not going back on his predecessor's commitments under the Camp David agreement, may go beyond them to what is already being described as Camp David II. This would, at a minimum, spell insistence on a "full autonomy" for the Arab inhabitants of Judea, Samaria and Gaza, but perhaps something more, too. The mood in which the new American policy is being drafted may be gauged from the statement, reportedly made by Mr. Shultz to Senate leaders, that the U.S. would seek to prove to the Arabs that it is not Israel's ally.

Prime Minister Begin could soon discover that, by focusing so heavily on the PLO as a threat, he has helped bring the full weight of the Palestinian problem into sharper focus. By pursuing the terrorists into every nook and cranny, he could yet find himself on a collision course with the U.S. on the broader issue of peace.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS AFTER YEARS of debunking stories of alligators living in the New York City sewer systems, municipal officials were astounded to find a small alligator in the Kensico reservoir recently.

"I couldn't believe it," said Andrew McCarthy of the Department of Environmental Protection. "I thought, 'It has to be a joke'."

Officials began hunting when residents near the reservoir, which serves New York City, began calling to say they had seen an alligator.

Two department employees spotted the alligator on a rock but "she jumped in the water and swam away" before they could get to her.

Later that night, accompanied by a reptile expert at the Bronx Zoo and a Long Island University professor who has captured alligators in China among other places, they succeeded in bagging her.

The alligator was taken to the Bronx Zoo, where experts examined her, pronounced her healthy, and placed her in a cage.

PS SPAIN is trading shoes for fighter planes. McDonnell Douglas, the American aerospace company, has agreed to market \$100 million worth of Spanish shoes in the U.S. as part of a deal to sell fighter planes to Spain. Rafael Calvo, secretary-general of Spain's Shoemakers Federation, told reporters that McDonnell Douglas had agreed to sell the shoes as part of its compensation from Spain for a number of jet fighters costing a total of \$2 billion.

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PS U.S. COAST GUARD officials say Petty Officer 3rd Class Jeffrey Bronson was doing a good job — but having a sleepwalker at sea, was not wise.

So the Coast Guard was forced to give the 21-year-old officer an honorable discharge, and he disembarked from the cutter White Heath for the last time.

Bronson had achieved his rank in 14 months, the minimum time required for such a promotion.

However, he was recently found sleepwalking aboard the 133-foot White Heath based in Boston.

"I didn't know I was doing it until the next morning, when the cook on the ship told me about it," Bronson said. "My mother recalls that I did it as a kid, but I really didn't know I still did it."

Bronson began what was to be a four-year Coast Guard enlistment in March 1981, and said he is disappointed at his early discharge.

PS B'NAI B'RITH International has urged UNESCO to avoid attempting to rewrite the history of Israel and the Jewish people.

Speaking at a press conference in New York, Philip Lax, chairman of the international council of B'nai B'rith and head of its delegation to a recent UNESCO conference in Mexico City, noted that the project of the "history of the Palestinian people" which UNESCO is asked to assist describes both Jesus and St. Paul, as well as the ancient populations of the land of Israel such as the Amorites, the Hittites and even the Hebrews as "Palestinian Arabs," while Jerusalem is described as the "Palestinian Arab city of Jerusalem." No mention is made of the Jewish heritage of the country. L.H.

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WITH MALICE
TOWARD ONE

By REUVEN BAR-LAHAV

ARIEL SHARON has been subject to vilification from many positions including that of Abba Eban, the Labour Party, and even from within his own party. These concerted attacks on the defence minister are nothing but an expression of malicious envy. It is the price of Sharon's consistent success.

Now Sharon has dared to pull off "the most horrendous blunder of all."

After careful preparation the IDF contrived to find a pretext to invade Lebanon. This action, planned in detail for months, should have come as no surprise to anyone. But then, there are those for whom every decision of the government is both a catastrophe and a betrayal. The imminent attack was rumoured in the press, and the only questions were of appropriate provocation and timing.

Israel wished to invade Lebanon, nor is there reason to conceal this fact. But it was not through hope of glory, or of conquest, as the internal and external enemies of Israel proclaim.

It is remarkable that such indefatigable, but deliberately wrongheaded analysts like the venerable and orotund Abba Eban fail to understand the full implications and intentions of the Peace for Galilee Operation.

What then did Israel wish to accomplish? First of all, one must take into perspective the Israeli perception of the situation in Judea and Samaria. Israel had replaced the military administration in those areas with a civilian one. This was not simply a cosmetic change of the administration of the territories. Nor was it an *ad hoc* act on the part of the government. It was intended to be the first stroke in a reformulation of a programme for Judea and Samaria.

This was quickly followed by the reorganization of the Village Leagues by the Arabs of the areas, not a new instrument of local government, but one dating back to Turkish and Mandatory times.

King Hussein immediately recognized that this endangered his own covert aspirations of eventually regaining his "West Bank." He immediately proscribed membership in the Leagues, threatening death to participants, and was openly defied. Hussein was well aware of the Israeli intention to undermine both his own influence and that of the PLO.

Israel turned the PLO-front

mayors of the larger towns, who refused to cooperate with the civilian administration, out of office.

All of this was planned, but it was not a plan open for general inspection and derogation. The average resident of the territories was far too afraid of the PLO to be willing to attempt to cooperate with the Israelis. Not only that, but the basic humanitarianism of the Israeli occupation had misled them to believe that the Israelis were soft, stupid, and easily gulled.

In addition, the growing reputation of Yasser Arafat as a world statesman and the apparent political effectiveness of the PLO in the international arena encouraged an attitude of open defiance to Israeli administration in Judea and Samaria. The pre-invasion rock-throwing incidents on the West Bank strangely vanished when the IDF destroyed the *Jama morgana* of PLO potency. The Arabs respect real, not fake, power.

THE STAGE was now set for the next phase in the true pacification of the West Bank.

IT IS quite correct to say that Israel unilaterally abrogated the letter of the Camp David Agreement. The autonomy of which Begin speaks is a far cry from the programme envisioned at Camp David. The latter was to be a five-year transition to a Palestinian entity with the concurrence of Israel, Egypt, Jordan, and the Palestinian Arabs.

It is apparent that for Prime Minister Begin, there is to be a *de facto* limited autonomy under the aegis of the state of Israel. Israel has no intention of surrendering Judea and Samaria to Palestinian rule, or to that of Jordan.

The government fully intends to extend Israeli law to the territories, for which the Golan Law was a trial balloon, and, when convenient, complete Israeli sovereignty.

This may come as a surprise to those whose self-interested sense of justice is inadequately developed, but the political and geographic realities both demand that Israel evolve in this way as regards the territories.

Even the Alignment recognizes this implicitly in its rejection of a Palestinian state on the West Bank.

The presence of a potent, sabre-rattling PLO, which had effectively subjugated most of central and southern Lebanon, was a factor that had to be reckoned with. Arafat,

supported as he ostensibly was by the constantly wrangling Arab states, most of the Third World dictatorships, and by cynical and supine Europe, presented a political threat to Israel. The Likud leadership knew that if it did not want to awaken one day and be faced with a UN *fait accompli* regarding the West Bank, then it had to act.

Abba Eban refers to Arafat as "ridiculously impotent" when compared to Hitler. But that is exactly what they said about Hitler in his Munich Beerhall days, and Arafat was much more powerful than Hitler was at a comparable period.

The momentum which was being generated by the Egyptians, and others in and out of the UN, had to be stopped. Israel had already engaged in one Litani Operation, and had no wish to repeat it. The Litani adventure had done little to clear the PLO out of Southern Lebanon. It had merely chased the terrorists ahead of the invading forces, only to have them return to their southern bases as soon as the Israelis left.

SOME VOICES, like that of Eban, stridently demand to know why Israel was not content with 40 kilometres of Southern Lebanon.

In any military operation, there are proximal, median, and optimal goals. The determination of which of these to pursue depends on many factors.

Not all of these can be foreseen, although a competent general staff takes all contingencies into account. No government gratuitously reveals its true military intentions and expectations. Political reactions certainly play a considerable role at all stages and levels.

Once Israel had reached the 40 kilometre mark, world reaction was still in remarkable disarray, its attention divided among Lebanon, the Falklands, and Iran-Iraq. U.S. response was weak and non-inhibiting. The PLO continued to resist the IDF, in effect daring it to proceed with the invasion.

The Syrian reply, though bloody, was marginal and restrained. None of the Arab states sent the PLO anything but their best wishes.

Under such inviting circumstances, the IDF would have been grossly remiss had it failed to take advantage of the opportunity to abolish the growing menaces of Arafat and the PLO.

It was necessary to show the world that the PLO was a paper-

READERS' LETTERS

THE THREAT TO ISRAEL'S SURVIVAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — By taking Teliya into the coalition, the Prime Minister left no doubt as to his contempt for that part of the Camp David Accords which so hopefully dealt with the most burning question of our time in the Middle East — the Palestinians' legitimate aspirations.

The small, sinister, uneasy steps away from the nobility of Anwar Sadat's thrust towards peace in this region have given way to one giant leap backward. Some of the previous backward steps:

1. Menachem Begin put in charge of the autonomy negotiations a dour career politician who could be relied upon to carry out the Prime Minister's niggardly interpretation of the late Moshe Dayan's autonomy scheme with the required parsimony of spirit towards the Palestinians.

2. He tolerated and condoned by his attitude and rhetoric the most blatant, provocative and often illegal grasping of conquered territory for ephemeral, government-sponsored settlement by Jewish colonists and private investors, even though greener pastures within the Green Line needed settling.

3. He continued a policy of collective punishment for admittedly horrendous acts of terror by Palestinian nationalists, who resented our coming here to escape the crimes committed against us down the ages by Europeans, culminating in Germany's Final Solution.

We say that we were doing in Lebanon, what we had to do to finish off the PLO for good and this (implicitly) gave us the right to kill whoever and destroy whatever stood in our way. Is this not a reflection of our hate and resentment at the treatment we received from the Europeans, the British and the Arabs before the State?

When I was growing up in South Africa, getting into fist-fights with anti-Semites at school and later attacking and being attacked by Nazi supporters, never did I dream that one day I would find myself on the side of the bullies, raining bombs and shells on almost defenceless crowded cities.

It is painful enough when the less privileged and less educated take up the cry: "Finish them off!" (which of course not even all this carnage could succeed in doing), but how people of greater sophistication can join in this hideous chorus is beyond me. Those who agree to this bloodthirsty slogan and condone blasting them out of Beirut and

scattering them to the four winds as we were once scattered should ask themselves what this display of superior force would achieve. And the answer should be clear to anyone with the slightest knowledge of the history of colonialism and imperialism.

If I were a Palestinian Arab, I would favour the replacement of the PLO leaders, who are largely responsible for their people's plight. But I am not a Palestinian Arab and so I have no say in the replacement of their leadership. I am an Israeli Jewish citizen and I can advocate the replacement of our leadership which has led us blindly and is now openly leading us further and further into an imbroglio. We shall have to extricate ourselves shamefacedly and covered in blood, having achieved nothing at all in the search for peace. A temporary respite for the residents of the Northern Galilee has been won, but no doubt in exchange for ugly acts of futile terrorism yet to be perpetrated elsewhere.

The destruction of the PLO's military infrastructure will be in vain, unless the Palestinians now grasp the opportunity to rid themselves of a discredited leadership. But instead of encouraging this by moving in the direction of a Palestinian homeland, we are now using the army, as well as vigilantes and quislings to oppress the Palestinians by militarism.

But in the wake of vigilantes and quislings come partisans. While their fathers and mothers work for the conquerors in every menial capacity open to them, the future leaders are throwing rocks at the armed forces of their colonial masters. Unless we are willing and able to replace our myopic leadership, our progeny will have to build concentration camps with guards and dogs and interrogation centres with blood-stained cells and silent walls.

This could be the end result of our national movement if we allow militarism to bury Jewish Zionism. A defensive military action is not militarism. The IDF went into Lebanon to destroy a burgeoning PLO military force. It has been maneuvered by a sly Defence Minister and an acquiescent Prime Minister into a militaristic force with imperialist aims.

Can it be that our aim is to police Lebanon until such time as the ultra-right Phalangists take over? Whatever the purpose, it bodes no good for Israel, as militarism spawns only evil.

We shall have to work hard to recreate the image of being a light unto nations, as we were in the early days of the state. It is not enough to assuage our Jewish consciences with Talmudic arguments and learned articles about superior Jewish values.

The rotten kernel breeding and feeding this blight is our present West Bank policy, not our military adventure into Lebanon.

If the Arafats must go, so must our Begins and Sharons. We must try to replace them with leaders who will announce clearly and loudly that, if elected, they will work to reverse the present West Bank policy, which is brutalizing us and threatening to make the Zionist enterprise just another colonialist episode. After all, Israel is not as strong and wealthy as Britain, France or Germany, which were able to survive their defeats in their doomed struggles against the poor, exploited peoples of their empires.

As to the Palestinians, they must be wary of politicians who promise utopia. There are no perfect solutions. They and we shall always have to live with a host of outstanding grievances. If it is our duty to work towards a homeland for them in the West Bank and Gaza, then they, for their part, must accept the fact that, in the early stages of the negotiations towards a national home for them, the dice will be loaded in our favour. Rome wasn't built in a day.

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AND MERCY

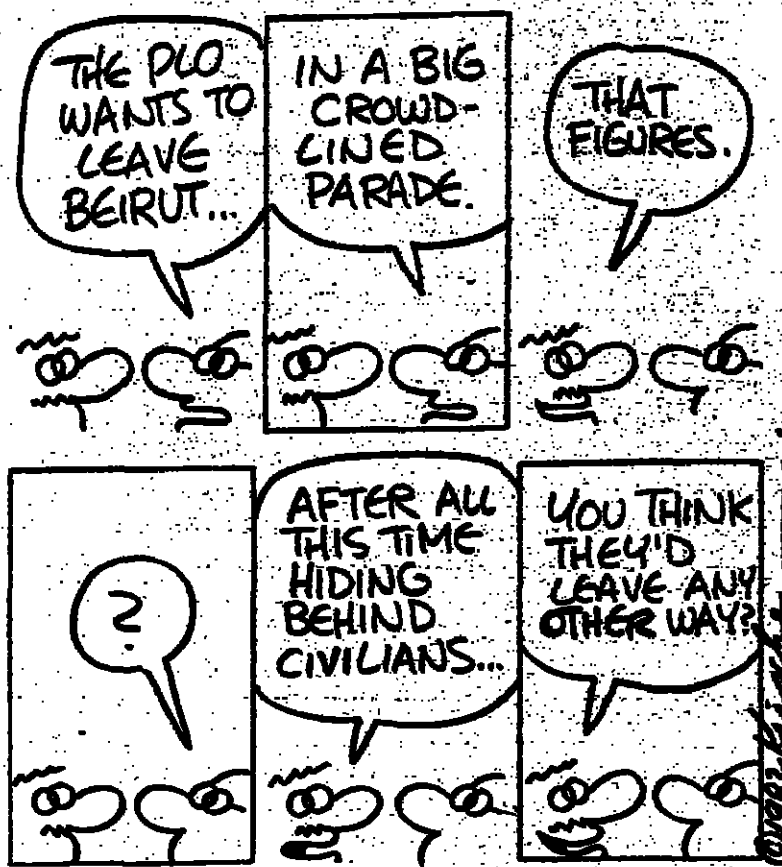
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — As a regular subscriber to The Jerusalem Post, and as one who has long been a proven friend of Israel, I feel that in conscience I must express my dismay over the Israeli incursion into Lebanon.

It would have been better for all concerned had the incursion, with its attending suffering and loss of lives, to say nothing of the heavy expenses, not occurred at all.

It may well be high time to deal directly now with the PLO concerning a West Bank enclave for the Palestinians. Then both justice and mercy will triumph.

I pray for peace. I pray for the survival of Israel. I pray that Israel may fulfill, in her ongoing history, her most cherished principles.
ERNEST O. NORQUIST
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dry Bones



tiger with the sting of a waterlily when it was called upon to act like a military force, instead of behaving like a marauding gang of brigands.

THERE ARE times when an enemy must be humiliated before he will see reason. This happened to Germany and Japan during the Second World War. In the First World War, Germany had not really been brought to its knees, with the result that it denied having been defeated at all.

Sharon, at the head of the IDF, was given this task with the approval of the Israeli cabinet. It was not because of PLO resistance that Beirut was not taken in the first surge toward the city. The brakes were put on the IDF due to the sudden awakening of an angry world, misinformed by the falsified version of alleged Israeli atrocities that were peddled by an arrogant, biased press.

Israel failed to counter these charges effectively, and the U.S., in sanctimonious official rage, scolded it for its "evil ways."

The care with which the Israeli forces conducted their invasion to avoid civilian casualties is now known to all save the most blatantly prejudiced observer.

Apparently Abba Eban prefers to believe the version that is being offered by Israel's enemies. This despite the six retired American generals who just visited Lebanon to see for themselves the "holocaust" wreaked by the Israelis, and were deeply impressed by the caution and restraint shown regarding civilians and non-military structures.

The writer is a psychiatrist and social analyst living in Jerusalem writing under a pen-name.

As Chaim Herzog reminds us, in all negotiations with the PLO, "Israel's negotiators would be well advised to be as wary as possible," since the PLO capacity for honouring agreements seems to be exceeding small. It is this obvious fact which, undoubtedly placed Ariel Sharon, four-square against the crowd in his assessment of the unreliability of Arafat's undertakings.

Sharon wants to make certain that Arafat and the PLO are soundly beaten and clearly humiliated both politically and militarily. He wants the world to acknowledge that the PLO has been defeated, that it has not been saved by the U.S., the UN, France, Egypt, or its own heroic stand, as Arafat intends.

Sharon does not want Arafat to win the victory, and reap the spoils of the Wars of the Jews, on which he also cynically counts. Signs that attitudes of Arabs in the territories are being moderated show that something is working.

All of this brings Sharon, the man of insight, vision, and boldness, into constant conflict with the faint-hearted and those with a variety of vested interests and hidden agendas.

Only later will they band together to bemoan the fact that the Israelis win the battles in the field, and lose them at the diplomatic crap-tables.

It is to forestall this consequence that Sharon, with the presence of genius, has bid to spike the PLO's guns of August once and for all.

The writer is a psychiatrist and social analyst living in Jerusalem writing under a pen-name.

UNPOPULAR
POLICIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The acrimonious debate regarding *hashbara* is, I believe, a futile exercise in intellectual acrobatics serving no practical purpose and causing many good people to feel bitter, frustrated and aggrieved.

In the relatively free Western society in which we live, no Propaganda Ministry and no amount of public relations money can make up for unpopular, or faulty policies. If a country's policies are acceptable to the international community, the international community will accept them. If not, not.

This does not mean that a country — Israel — should only adopt popular policies. But if the international media, with fair means and foul, go to town against what they consider unacceptable policies, we should not whine and indulge in accusations, counter-accusations and self-pity.

DR. BERTHOLD WYLER
Jerusalem.

TEENAGE
INCONTINENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Our teenage daughter has a bladder ailment and is partially incontinent. This causes her a great deal of constant anxiety — especially in company. Furthermore, she cannot go on outings with her friends or sleep away from home. Even a casual visit to friends or to the cinema causes her a great deal of anxiety. As a result, she is constantly frustrated and very unsure of herself.

Unfortunately, there are many teenagers with similar problems — either congenital or as a result of an operation. We would like to suggest a meeting of parents of teenagers suffering from chronic partial or complete incontinence, in order to discuss mutual problems, offer advice and guidance and also help their children meet others in a similar situation so that they may make friends and learn from each other how to cope with their problems.

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